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# WOMAN'S PAGE.

## MILLINERY MATTERS.

WHAT THE PARIS HOUSES ARE SHEWING.

### NEW STYLES IN HONG KONG SHOPS.

The most interesting thing in the dress world at the moment is the subject of millinery. Hats are being specially created for different dresses by all the leading French designers, and many dresses, charming enough in themselves, gain a special cachet by the addition of a hat designed in keeping with their silhouette. With dresses of the picture type, hats of crin straw, almost as fine as tulle, are immensely becoming. In shape like a very wide cloche, they surround the face like a soft and charming nimbus, and, in conjunction with the softly spreading lines of the dress, are one of the most harmonious expressions of the summer mode.



Touque of red plumes spotted in black, over head-band of red tressed braid.

#### A Striking Style.

Marie Alphonsine works out a somewhat similar idea on the lines of the large Argentine hat worn over a head handkerchief. The handkerchief, which is of the plaid silk or velvet which Parisiennes wear so smartly, is, however, stitched to the underside of the brim edge, and drawn down, away from the brim, to fit closely round the face on the right hand side. On the left the brim droops down gracefully in a broad sweep, and is underlined in the usual way with the plaid.

#### CHEZ PAMELA.

There is a smart collection of millinery now chez Pamela. A cocoa shade Baku cloche is tied with narrow gros grain ribbons of *lille de negre* and grey, the underside of the brim being bound with a wider band of the former.

A very smart touque is evolved from shiny black *paillason*. The crown is folded along the top, and a narrow black ribbon runs up it directly in front to tie in a bow at the crest. A lemon yellow cloche of baku straw is turned flat up in front and down over the ears. *Paillason* straw in red and white is trimmed with a fancy pink and beige ribbon.

### FOR SMALL SONS.

There is nothing which looks nicer for small boys than a sailor suit of white duck with the proper blue collar, and provided it is cut along the correct lines and not in a fancy style, every little boy is proud to wear one. LANE, CRAWFORD'S have a nice selection in the Children's Department, and also "Jack Tar" hats to wear with them.

### BROOMS AND BRUSHES.

There is a wonderful collection of brooms and brushes now to be found in WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW'S for every possible household purpose. Good brushes lighten the house work enormously, and will save you no end of quite unnecessary irritation with the servants over half swept rooms. There are yard brooms and carpet brooms, sink brushes and bannister brushes, and every sort of brush you can think of.

**Amusing Tilt.**  
Maria Guy is introducing a hat in Louis XVI. style, which is, of course, a much modified version of the "Dolly Vardon" hat, tilted over the eyes, and built up under the brim at the back with flowers, or—in the case of the Maria Guy models—with bands of ribbon.

#### IN LANE, CRAWFORD'S.

There are some interesting models in fancy straws in Lane, Crawford's. A capeline of hair woven in a lace design is trimmed with three bands of beige *gros grain* running down the crown in front, each having, midway, a small embroidered ornament in pink and blue. A cloche of basket straw in cocoa brown is bound with panne velvet of the same shade, and has an interesting velvet bow at the back. A hat of very fine black baku is lightened with a trellis work of narrow gold braid, and another large capeline of the same straw is bound at the edge with gold and has a tan crown drawn over to one side and finished with a black silk tassel.

#### Ribbon Beret.

An amusing, and very chic, little beret, is made of bands of two shades of Lido blue *gros grain* ribbon. There is also a big selection of felt berets in all shades for sports and travelling, and also, for the same purposes a wide choice of white felt hats.

#### Very Chic.

A delightful turban hat is made of lacquer red *paillason* trimmed with gold lace which makes a tiny veil over the left eye. Fashion offers a kindly latitude this season and you may wear a "touque," a "merry widow" hat or one of moderate proportions just as you wish. The brim may turn down like a cloche, or abruptly up off the face in front, or it may stand straight out in front and droop gracefully towards either or both shoulders.



Touque of navy blue and white silk braid.

### SPRING CLEANING HINT.

Don't forget your mattresses in the spring clean this year. It doubles their life and more than doubles their comfort to have them cleaned and remade annually, in fact it is almost like having a new mattress for a few dollars every spring. WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW'S will collect your mattress in the morning clean and remake it like new, and let you have it back again the same evening.

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### VOILE DRESSES.

WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW'S have a very nice selection of cotton voile dresses, in many different colours and designs. They are well cut along up-to-date lines and run from \$11.50, no two are alike.

### DOLLY VARDON HATS.

For the Royal Visit.

A big shipment of hats and frocks is coming next Thursday to the Dolly Vardon Hat Shop. The hats will be specially lovely models designed for weddings or garden parties, and many will certainly be bought for the garden party to be held at Government House for Prince Henry. They will be, I believe, mostly crinoline straws with big sweeping brims, the type of hat that the most famous women throughout all ages have worn with effect.



Hat of black para straw, lined and incrustated with flat bow of white felt.

#### Summer Felt.

Among the many delightful hats now in stock are some of summer felt, trimmed with swathed silk ribbon straw, either in a different tone or a contrasting colour to the felt. These light weight felts are also often trimmed with narrow braids of silk straw, or with close set flower heads of velvet. One very smart model is in deep moss green and has at one side a circle of straw braiding over which is set a flat "chrysanthemum" of cut felt secured by a green clasp.

#### Paillason Straws.

There are a number of charming toques and capelines of lacquer red *paillason*, generally trimmed with a small buckle of mother-of-pearl or marquise. *Paillason* is also a very favourite straw for hats of black or navy blue, the favourite beige tones, and hats of pastel colours are more often carried out in baku or *paille de soie*.

There are hats of every colour, shape and material permitted by *Madame la Mode*, and she is being very broadminded this season, to be found in the Dolly Vardon Hat Shop.

### FOR SMALL DAUGHTERS.

I was shown three big boxes in WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW'S, all full of things for small daughters. One had gingham rompers and overalls in all sorts of pretty colours; the second dear little dresses of coloured linen or "Duro" prints with muslin collars and cuffs, made on the same dainty, decorative lines as those which their mothers will be wearing this summer. The third contained party frocks of white, voile, lace, and muslin, in which most little English girls look their sweetest.

### FOR NURSERY FROCKS.

WHITEAWAY, LAIDLAW'S is showing a new cotton broadcloth, which would be very suitable for nursery frocks or overalls, and might be used, too, for little house frocks for grown ups. It is called "Waydero" and can be had in all colours in stripes, checks or floral designs at 85 cents a yard. It is 27 inches wide.

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### A STUDY IN WHITE.

FASCINATING NEW SILKS AT THE PIONEER.

White is a most fascinating colour. Perhaps you are exclaiming that white is not a colour at all, but it is quite arguable that it is a combination of all colours, since if you break up a ray of apparently white light through a prism, you get all the colours of the spectrum. However, that is not really important for our purposes, and in the realm of women's dress white is not only a colour, and an important one this season, but very lovely. It can run from an almost grey, green-whites which look like silver in some lights. I stopped the other day in front of the Pioneer Silk Store held by an all white window. The back was hung with three almost equally lovely pieces of georgette. That in the centre was starred with a small silver flower. On the right it was heavily bordered with a design of passion flowers in Richlieu work stitched with powder blue, that on the left was bordered in the same fashion with a lovely design of grapes and leaves worked in pale green. In front of these was another bordered material, white georgette with a deep band of silver embroidery starred above with small flowers. This was flanked on the one side by a pyjama suit embroidered with net appliques, and on the other by a haori coat with bamboo leaves printed in black and grey on white. Right in the front were white embroidered undies of satin and crêpe de chine. On inquiry inside I found that these bordered georgettes can be had in gold or silver in a wide range of colours, and those with the Richlieu work are also in other colours besides white. I also saw some lovely kimono in all colours heavily embroidered with flower patterns, and a big range of plain tones in both crêpe de chine and georgette.



# WOMAN'S PAGE.

## WOMEN WHO ARE SILLY ABOUT DRESS.

### A WARNING TO THE RED-HAIRED.

Women so often make the worst of themselves. Take any large crowd of feminine shoppers and you will find about one in every hundred who is dressed as cleverly as she might be. I say cleverly, because to look like a successful film star requires a good deal of money, but to dress with intelligence needs no great expenditure; in fact it is usually cheaper.

Women who use their brains as well as their eyes when buying clothes are careful in many ways. They do not, if they possess red hair, pounce upon a rose pink dress, even if it is "Enormously reduced," nor do they buy a royal blue hat when the rest of their wardrobe is in shades of green. They choose hats with flattering shapes, avoid hard lines and crude colours, and do everything possible to hide their faults and accentuate their good points.

### Realms of Colours.

To dress cleverly one must use great self-restraint. It is hopeless to allow oneself to be tempted by bargains, however alluring they may be; women who pick up odd lengths of stuff and remnants, and force them to materialise as dresses, usually finish by looking like remnants themselves.

It is not only in the realms of colour that mistakes are made; plump women seem fatally drawn towards jumpers with circular stripes that give them the appearance of beer barrels, while thin ones cling to dresses which have the effect of making them look thinner than ever.

It is always the fattest legs and the thickest ankles that are attired in tinned-salmon coloured stockings and elaborate high-heeled shoes.

Perhaps it is merely another example of that hard-worked phrase "an inferiority complex," in the same way that the shyest man will talk loudest at a party in order to persuade himself and the world in general that he is really not shy at all.

Otherwise, why do women with square masculine hands have a morbid passion for bright pink nail varnish; why do those with lips like negresses paint them a dazzling scarlet?

### "Moth's Desire."

There is one solution. Many women cherish secret longings to resemble some popular beauty, either in society or on the stage, and it is because of this "desire of the moth for the star" that some of the worst sartorial atrocities are committed.

In the past actresses and great ladies were far more exclusive and remote, but nowadays, when every detail of their toilet is broadcast, a girl has only to read the newspapers to discover sooner or later her idol's favourite perfume, dress-maker, colour and beauty specialist. There is nothing to prevent her copying them or attempting to copy them.

In this business many traps await the unwary; you cannot achieve those exquisite effects that looked so simple with artificial silk stockings, imitation fur and synthetic jewels. It is not possible. Nor because one admires the hairdressing of a celebrated beauty is it usually wise to copy her. That is, unless time and money are no object.

## BLACK EVENING GOWNS.



The gown on the left is for black satin and depends entirely on cut for its effect. It is worn with a tulle scarf to soften the rather severe effect. The other dress is of black figured nylon, and is trimmed with bands of plain black.

## ARDEN PREPARATIONS.

A big shipment of Elizabeth Arden's well-known beauty preparations is expected in Lane Crawford's on Monday. They are quite the best things of their sort—at least that is the opinion of all "Arden" users of whom I am one!

## LUSTRE GLASS.

Another of those delightful little surprise bargains which WHITBREAD, LAIDLAW's like to spring upon us, has just arrived in the form of a set of cream, jug and sugar basin on a tray, made of gold lustre glass for \$1 the set.

## WANTED—A TRADE UNION FOR HOSTESSES.

[By BETTY ASHMORE.]

This amusing article although written from the view point of the hostess at home, may be interesting to women in Hong Kong, and make us realise that perhaps our lot is not so hard after all.

There ought to be a trade union of hostesses.

By hostesses, I do not mean the grand women of untold wealth who give dazzling parties in the season. No, I am talking about the women we all know, our friends, probably ourselves; women who run a home on less money weekly than the grand lady spends on caviare for a single party; who have one or two or, at the most, three maids and one long-suffering spare-room.

These are the people who are at the mercy of the unscrupulous guest who descends like a flock of locusts and disorganises the best-managed household in an incredibly short time.

Such guests look upon your house as an hotel—good or bad, as the case may be; and although one or two may make a thin pretence of wanting to come to stay for the joy of your society, it will soon wear off when they are safely ensconced.

### Undaunted Way.

The most amazing thing about the self-invited guest is his cool and colossal cheek. Nothing deters him (or as my experience has been mostly feminine, I will say her)—consideration for her hostess's feelings, snubs from the servants, hints dropped in a perfect shower.

My suggested trade union would protect the weaker members among hostesses; women who are hampered by kind hearts and an unfortunate incapacity for saying no.

The methods of this sort of guest do not vary much. Having decided that they need a country holiday or a week by the sea, or that their wardrobes want replenishing in the sales, they pick out a victim from their private card index, and write to announce their prospective arrival on the date that suits them best.

They usually contrive to appear at the most inconvenient time, either by accident or, as one suspects, design, on the cook's day out or when the children are all in bed with colds.

From the moment she enters the house havoc begins. She bursts in like a miniature whirlwind, kisses you perfunctorily, flings her clothes all over the tidy drawing-room, and orders your overworked housemaid to unpack her numerous trunks.

Before long you will hear her putting through a succession of trunk calls to Edinburgh, Norwich, and St. Ives at your expense, while she drops cigarette ash all over your best carpet.

### Worst at Meals.

She is at her worst at meals. Although you happen to know that in her own home she is a most indiscriminate feeder, she will suddenly and without any warning announce that she has become a vegetarian, or that she must have all her food put through a sieve, or that her doctor has prescribed a strict diet of lamb chops and pineapple.

She will make disparaging remarks about your cook's chef-d'œuvre in front of the parlour-maid, and will offer to show you "exactly how it ought to be done." The cook's offended face next morning will not do much towards improving the situation.

If you happen to have a car it is far wiser to conceal its existence. Your guest will treat it, and your chauffeur or yourself if you do not possess one, as a pleasant method of transport.

In spite of the fact that you had intended to go to the Stores by Underground, you will find yourself wearily driving her in the direction of Notting Hill Gate on a wet and slippery day.

They use your houses as a club without a subscription, inviting countless intimate friends (all of whom you dislike on sight) to lunch, tea, and dinner.

How thankfully, how eagerly we speed such a parting guest, with what a sigh of relief we watch the taxi disappear round the corner before we sink exhausted on to the nearest chair, vowing we will never have so-and-so to stay again, no matter how importunate she is. *Daily Express.*

## BEAUTY.

### THE DELICATE ART OF MAKE-UP.

Do you remember the unhappy lady in one of Henry James' books, who, "without the means to back it up, committed herself to a scheme of colour that was practically an advertisement of courage. Irregularly pretty and painfully shy, was retouched from brow to chin like a suburban photograph—the moral of which was simply that she should either have left more to Nature or taken more from art."

Doesn't that remind you of a lot of people you know? Make-up is something to be used either with extreme discretion or extreme daring. The average Englishwoman cannot carry off the exotic make-up that the Frenchwoman can wear with a success. She feels self-conscious, and the whole effect is ruined.

Everyone realises now-a-days that, to be successful, *maquillage* demands the basis of a smooth, clear skin underneath. The old idea that you make-up to hide the ravages of time is exploded; make-up has become an art instead of a pitiful subterfuge. There is one make-up for the day, another for the night.

In the evening you can use a more vivid kind of make-up. Even if you prefer the "natural" finish, you will find that you can use a lighter powder and more colour under electric light. Your eyes need accentuating or they lose colour and lustre under the brightness. If you are fair, this must be done with the lightest possible touch, perhaps, a trace of blue shadow on the upper lid. If your eyes are darker, you can accentuate them still more with a pencilled line running upwards from either corner, with brown shadows on the lids.

When you are using rouge, either by day or by night, notice where your own natural colour lies and place your rouge there. Blend the edges of the rouge into your skin with powder; don't leave a hard line.

If your face is thin, rouge your chin a little too; place the rouge on the outer line of your cheek bones. If you wear an Eton crop rouge the tips of your ears at night.

But you must not practice self-deception. If only women would realise that nothing, no skill, no wonderful preparation can make a woman of 50 look 15, we should no longer see those pitifully painted faces which one meets every day. Be honest with yourself, be your age, the loveliest you can be, but yourself. If you are 50, or 40, or 30, say to yourself "I am just so many years old, and I want to look the nicest woman of my particular age in the world." If you make up on that basis you will be if not the loveliest, certainly the nicest looking.

Whether you follow this last advice or no, and you probably will not, you must have a smooth clear skin to work on if your make up is to be artistic. The best way to obtain this is to pay a regular visit to a beauty parlour for a face massage, and to follow the masseuse's advice for your daily home treatments. You cannot do better than by making a fortnightly visit to the Dorelle Beauty Shoppe for a facial, a manicure, and any little attentions that may be necessary to your hair. They thoroughly understand their business in this establishment, and the work is done under the most hygienic conditions.

## THE NEW SILHOUETTE.

### A WOMANLY CURVE.

The new silhouette will at least deviate from the lamp-post outline of the past few seasons. That much is assured. The flowing lines of the new fashions for spring and summer will give a fresh contour to women.

We are all so energetic nowadays that there will be no return to the frills and furbelows of Victorianism, certainly so far as frocks and coats for everyday wear go. The modern curve is far more subtle, womanly without being too fluffy. It is introduced in a variety of attractive ways by the artistry of the cutter and fitter, more than by the needlewoman and embroidress.

How is it done? Well, for one thing we have said goodbye, for the present, to the little straight-down frocks. Lines, instead of being straight, are curved to the figure. So cutters and fitters are going to be busier and more important in the dressmaking world this spring than they have been for some time. A seam curves from the shoulder or from under the arm to the hem of a coat or frock. Inset panels are cut with a curved end at the top or at the hem of a garment.

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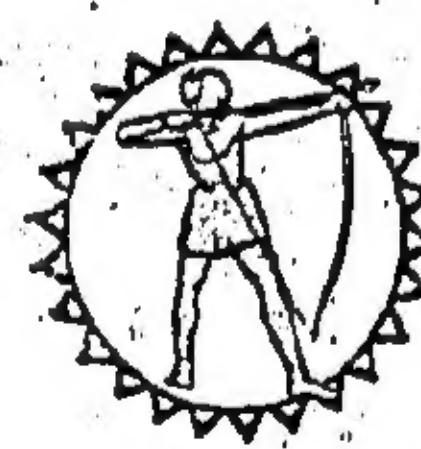
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**SHANNON POWER PLANT.****IRISH ELECTRIFICATION SCHEME.****SUPPLYING THE WHOLE OF THE STATE.**

Dublin (U.P.)—On the banks of the River Shannon engineers are completing the huge power electrical plant which is to be the hub of the Irish Free State's electrification scheme.

Present plans call for the completion of the plant by the end of September. Already the network of high tension wires carrying the current is erected and the Electricity Supply Board which controls the entire scheme is well advanced with the erection of the low tension wires which will carry the current into practically every town and village in the Irish Free State.

**Replacing Oil Lamps.**

Small towns and villages which knew no better means of lighting than the oil lamp and candle, during the coming winter will have all the advantages of electric light and power. Old fashioned and drudgery methods of housekeeping will vanish with the darkness that for centuries has cast its gloom over the homes of people living in remote communities.

The benefits of the Shannon Power Station are expected to raise the Irish Free State to the level of the most modern state in the world.

In order to make it possible for even the poorest class of people to enjoy the advantages of electricity, the Supply Board is wiring houses on the installment payment plan at a cost ranging from payments as low as the equivalent to twelve cents a week. Electrical fittings and appliances will also be sold on the same plan and throughout all the larger towns, show, and sale rooms are being fitted up.

In cities like Dublin, Cork and Limerick where electricity has already been in use for 30 or 35 years the present electrical arrangements will be extended. In Dublin this extension work has already started in the suburbs and engineers are at work on the construction of new transformer stations there.

Meanwhile, in anticipation of the completion of the work through of people are visiting the new power station and inspecting the progress of the work, which aside from the construction of the huge plant, involved the cutting of a big deep canal approximately ten miles in length in order to divert the backwaters of the River Shannon.

To the initiative and energy of a young Irish engineer, Dr. T. A. McLaughlin is given most of the credit for the conception and realization of this electrification scheme.

**CATCHING ELEPHANTS.****NO CRUELTY IN CEYLON.****GOVERNOR MAKES INVESTIGATIONS.**

Various charges of cruelty having been brought in connection with the working of the elephant kraal in Ceylon, the Governor of Ceylon went to look into the matter for himself. Referring to the matter in public he said he witnessed at the kraal the treatment meted out and so far from the hardship to the elephants being untold he would say that it was non-existent.

He went into the stockade and saw elephants being housed at very close quarters. He also saw them tied up and throughout saw no real cruelty.

**Plantain Stalks and Stumps.**

Naturally no wild animal taken out of the jungle enjoys being caught by men and tied up, he said. "I do not suppose that an ordinary horse likes being broken in, and I saw no cruelty at the kraal greater than you see in the breaking-in of a horse."

"I saw the elephants afterwards tied up outside the stockade, and they were enjoying quite a hearty meal of plantain stalks and stumps—not very attractive to us perhaps, but the elephants liked it and ate it quite heartily."

"There was no straining or struggling at all. To sum up, so far as I could judge there was no real cruelty involved in the kraal beyond the cruelty inevitable in the taming or capturing of wild animals from the jungle."

"At any rate, I was most anxious to see the kraal for myself, and speaking for myself, I am perfectly satisfied that neither the Kandyan chiefs nor the Kandyan villagers were guilty of real cruelty in this matter. I enjoyed the kraal rather than otherwise even though on this occasion it was conducted in peculiarly difficult climatic conditions."

**FIGHT FOR FORTUNE.****ECHO OF L'EPINE MILLIONS CASE.****LEGITIMATE HEIR FOUND.**

London (U.P.)—Another stage in the fight for what is known as the L'Epine Millions may be reached in the House of Lords in the near future, it is learned.

The action, which was dismissed in the Chancery division in December, 1927, and lost on appeal last summer, took the form of a petition of right by the next-of-kin of Maria Jenny L'Epine, of Portsmouth, for the payment with accrued interest of estate valued in 1792 at \$225,000. At compound interest of 2½ per cent, that sum would now amount to millions of pounds.

The last member of the L'Epine family to hold the estate was Maria, who died intestate and a lunatic in 1798. As she was then believed to be illegitimate she could have no legal heirs, and the fortune, instead of going to a daughter, became escheat to the Crown.

**Presented to Lord Howe.**

King George III, presented the money to Lord Howe in recognition of his services abroad, with the stipulation that, in the event of heirs of the L'Epine family being discovered, he would hand back the priority. Two years ago there was a dramatic turn in the affair by the discovery in the registers of a London church of a marriage entry proving that Maria L'Epine had been married in London, and that her daughter, Abigail Eccles was legitimate. The discovery was made by the Misses Mason of London, three of the claimants to the estate, and it came as the reward of years of searching through church registers.

This information was of no avail against the statute of limitation, which, in the decision of the Chancery Division and the Court of Appeal, barred the claim.

Although the Mason family have already spent practically every penny they possessed in the effort to establish their claim, they are determined not to relinquish the struggle.

Quite recently, Miss J. M. Mason pleaded the case in "forma pauperis" before the application committee of the House of Lords. Although the application in that form was disallowed on technical grounds, the committee granted a request for an extension of time in which to bring the case in the ordinary way. The cost of carrying the case to the Upper House will be at least \$7,500.

**OUR BIGGEST AIRCRAFT CARRIER.****THE EAGLE TO PAY OFF AND REFIT.**

The aircraft-carrier Eagle, says the *Naval and Military Record*, is the largest aircraft-carrier in the Royal Navy. She was commissioned by Capt. B. M. Money at Devonport on October 1, 1924, for service in the Mediterranean, and will leave the fleet there to come home to refit and recommission, being due at Devonport on April 8, a day ahead of the Atlantic Fleet ships.

Not only is the Eagle the largest aircraft-carrier in our own Navy, but she was the biggest carrier in existence until quite recently. She is a remarkable ship in many ways, and especially striking in appearance, as she has on the extreme starboard side a tall superstructure, with navigating bridge, and encloses the funnel up-takes. Her full-length flight-deck is therefore clear, and affords ample space for flying off and alighting; and below this flight-deck are hangars and workshops.

When the vessel arrives at Devonport there will be in the port our biggest air-craft carrier—the Eagle, with a displacement of 22,000 tons, and the little Pegasus of 3,070 tons. The Eagle was laid down at Elswick in 1913 for Chile as the battleship *Almirante Cochrane*, a sister to the *Canada* (now the Chilean *Almirante Latorre*).

**DEAF MUTE FOR TRIAL.****WOMAN ALLEGED TO HAVE MARRIED TWO DEAF MEN.**

A deaf and dumb woman who lived with her husband for three weeks, after it was alleged, going through a form of marriage with another deaf and dumb mute, was charged at Cardiff with bigamy. She was Sybil Annie Jane Davey (30), and, according to the prosecution, she went through a form of marriage with William John Kelly, at Cardiff register office, on September 3 last.

Her husband, Henry Percival Davey, also a mute, gave evidence that he was married to accused in 1923. Four children had been born—all deaf and dumb.

Davey was committed to the gaol, bail being granted.

**"THE MYSTERIOUS LADY."****GRETA GARBO AS A RUSSIAN SPY.****INTERESTING FILM AT THE QUEEN'S.**

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

"The Mysterious Lady," Greta Garbo's latest picture, which you can see at the Queen's to-day and to-morrow, is interesting in more ways than one.

Miss Garbo is, of course, the "Venus" of the constellations of filmdom, and she "has become of late rather the 'Venus' of the medieval church than Aphrodite of the classics. Perhaps this was not entirely her fault. The powers that be in Hollywood undoubtedly recognised that she exercised a fascination on minds of an unhealthy order, and she was started in consequence, in a number of pictures which gave her full ruin in this direction. To most of us it seemed the greatest pity that this actress who was introduced to a delighted world in "The Temptress," should have descended to playing—and playing so amazingly well—in "The Flesh and the Devil," and other similar pictures. The last of her pictures which we saw in Hong Kong, "Love," the film version of Anna Karenina, made it appear probable that the Greta Garbo of "The Temptress" had been entirely submerged by the herding of flesh and the Devil—the "sinking siren," as she was not inaptly called, by those to whom this picture did not appeal.

But "The Mysterious Lady" is a delightful revelation. Perhaps the change of partner from Jack Gilbert to Conrad Nagel has something to do with it, or perhaps it is a change of heart on the part of the powers that be. It cannot be the story, for if ever there was a heroine who needed white-washing it was "Tania Fedorova." "Tania" is a Russian spy working during the war to win military secrets from German and Austrian officers—working by the methods usually chosen by beautiful women spies in fiction and drama. But "Tania" goes further and betrays her own country for the love of an Austrian officer, shooting the General at the head of the Russian Secret Service, whose pupil and whose darling she is.

Both Greta Garbo and Conrad Nagel play very well indeed, Miss Garbo far better than she has ever done. There are scenes of idyllic love making with no cloud of ugly passion, scenes of great magnificence in Warsaw and a scene of really tragic horror, when "Tania" saves her lover after she has shot the General.

The story is always interesting and moves quickly. If the mechanics do not move as smoothly as they should it matters little in a romance of this description. No one asks a William de Mexia writer to cross all his "t's" and dot his "i's."

I recommend "The Mysterious Lady" not only to those who admire Greta Garbo—but to those who dislike her—can I say more?

**CINEMA NEWS.****"PLASTERED IN PARIS" ON SUNDAY AT QUEEN'S.**

"Plastered in Paris," a new comedy with Sammy Cohen, will be shown at the Queen's on Sunday and Monday.

Among the amusing situations are the adventures of Cohen and Jack Pennick in a buried Roman city, during which they enslave a detachment of Riff bandits into the ruins, knock them out, and capture them one by one as they fall into a Roman bath through the enormous mouth of an idol.

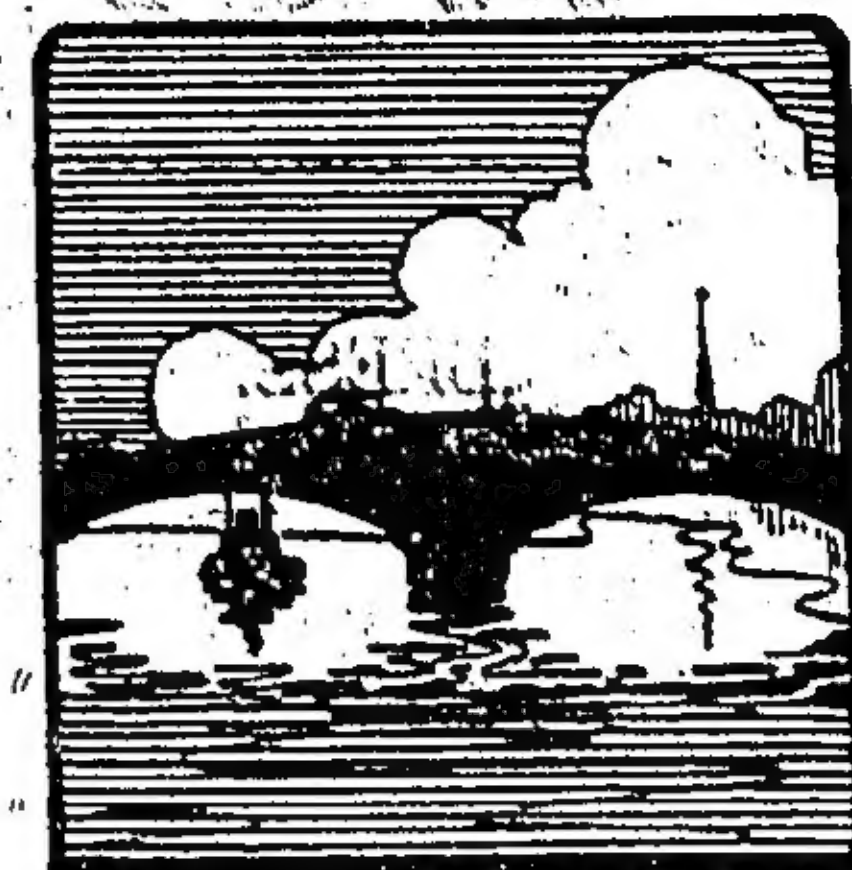
The two comedians take the part of two delegates to the American Legion Paris convention, during which they are mistaken for French Foreign Legion recruits and are forced to serve against Riff brigades.

The French general's daughter and her friend are captured by the Riffs, to be rescued later, together with the sheik's entire harem, by the heroes.

**CHINA'S FAMOUS RUBY.****MME. YEN'S HANDSOME GIFT.**

Nanking (U.P.)—Valued at \$100,000, the most famous ruby in China, the Yi-Ti-Hsieh, or "One Drop of Blood," has been given to the Chinese Famine Relief Fund for sale to the highest bidder. This princely gift has been made by Mme. Yen Tsung Chu, widow of the late Secretary of State to the late President Yuan Shih Kai.

The gem first became known to collectors when Mme. Yen's father-in-law found it at Nanking in the palace of the pretender, Emperor Hung Shih Chuan, leader of the Taiping Rebellion in the last century. Since then it has been the most prized jewel in the Yen family, and was given to Mme. Yen as a wedding present.

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**ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS.****ANNUAL MEETING.**

The annual meeting of the Institution of Engineers and Shipbuilders, Hong Kong, was held on April 10 under the chairmanship of Mr. P. T. Farrell.

Mr. L. J. Blackburn, in returning thanks for his election as President, said he hoped members would take a keener interest in the Institution. It must be very disappointing to Mr. Stokes and members of the committee to see so few members present, and he trusted the new committee would create more enthusiasm and get members to support the Institution.

Professor C. A. Middleton Smith and Mr. P. T. Farrell were elected Vice-Presidents. Mr. E. W. Blackmore was elected secretary, and Mr. A. J. J. Martin was appointed treasurer.

Mr. Martin said it was a pity to see, month after month, members' accounts that had remained so long in arrears, and he urged prompt payment.

Mr. W. J. Stokes was elected Honorary Librarian. He appealed for funds to improve the library, especially to bring the technical books up to date, and this was responded to by Mr. Andrew Harper, who promised to contribute \$100.

The following were elected to the committee:—Mr. G. F. Taylor, Mr. P. T. Farrell, Mr. G. Harmon, Mr. W. Russell, Mr. J. Ormiston, Mr. A. Webster, Mr. F. P. R. James, Mr. B. J. Lacey and Mr. V. G. Cribley.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham, and Matthews were appointed auditors. At the close of the meeting, Mr. H. F. Banjo said he had been an associate member for 13 years. They had had a rather serious time last year—a good deal of which, he believed, was non-recurrent. He thought the incoming committee

would have a hard task before them in trying to make ends meet if they went along in the same way as previously. The matter was no doubt, occupying the serious thought of members of the new committee. They did not like to see the Institution going back. They had a good reserve, but at the same time he thought something should be done and, no doubt, it would be done.

The chairman assured the speaker that the matter would engage the serious attention of the incoming committee, who would do their best to prevent a similar loss. They could, he thought, only do so by getting new members, in which work they wanted the co-operation of members.

Mr. W. J. Stokes then presented the cups for the following billiards events:—

President's Competition:—1, Mr. R. Hunter; 2, Mr. W. G. Erwin. Break: Mr. A. H. McBride. Vice-President's Competition:—1, Mr. A. H. McBride; 2, Mr. T. G. Stokes. Break: Mr. W. R. Hillier.

Billiards Handicap:—1, Mr. A. H. McBride; 2, Mr. A. J. Pilgrim. Break: Mr. W. G. Erwin.

The loss referred to is mentioned in the annual report as follows:—"The result of the past year's working is a loss of \$2,760.03 as against a profit for 1927 of \$308.74. The Reserve Account, which at December 31, 1927, stood at \$51,893.82 has thus been reduced to \$48,133.77."

Mr. Claude Bertram Bibby, of Charlton-Horthorne House, Sherborne, Dorset, a member of the leading shipping firm, whose body was buried at sea in the English Channel, off Portland, has left property of the value of £28,919 11s. 3d. He gives £5,000 to his wife, and after various other bequests have been settled, leaves the ultimate residue of the property between Lord Haig's and Lord Jellicoe's Funds for Disabled Soldiers and Sailors.



**"CANTON WILL NOT TAKE SIDES."**

GENERAL CHEN MING SHU'S TELEGRAM.

THE GARRISON TROOPS CHANGED.

ANOTHER LI TSAI HSIN MAN RESIGNS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, April 11.

General Chen Ming Shu has replied to the telegram recently received from General Wong Shiu Hung, in which the latter pleaded for continued friendship between the two Kwangs, to the effect that Kwangtung will preserve peace at any cost. "It (Kwangtung) will not take sides in this (Wuhan-Nanking) or any other civil strife" were the exact words.

**CHEN MING SHU'S TROOPS ARRIVE.**

Practically the whole of the 3rd Kwangtung Division, General Chen Ming Shu's own command, have been transported from South districts of Kwangtung and from Hoibow, in the north of Hainan by specially chartered junks and steamships. They are being stationed for the most part in the suburbs of Canton but strong contingents will be sent to military posts on the North and West Rivers. Their headquarters are at the Kwangsi Guildhouse on the South Bund, and Colonel Tsui Ting Kai is in command.

The 1st Regiment, which formed the principal part of the City Garrison when General Shih Tang was Garrison Commander and head of the Police, has been ordered to Hainan. They number about 3,000 men and consist of two units under Colonels Ho Yung and Siao Tso Kay.

The latter's troops left here yesterday and Colonel Ho's men were due to go to-day. General Tang Shih Tang, it will be remembered, tried to involve Kwangtung in the war with Nanking and has resigned. The reason for the troops' transference is quite obvious, General Chen Ming Shu naturally wishing to have near him his own Army.

The Canton Government is taking no risks and considers it safer that troops with Kwangsi leanings should not be too near "the centre of gravity."

**NEW APPOINTMENTS.**

Mr. Fan Ki Mo, Finance Officer for Kwangtung, has been appointed head of the Salt Administration in the Liang Kwang Provinces by Mr. T. V. Soong (Minister for Finance to the National Government). He is replacing Mr. Li Man Yan, the ally of Marshal Li Tsai Hsin, who has resigned.

Mr. Lin Shik Tsing took over command of the Canton Gendarmerie this (Thursday) morning at 11 o'clock. There was an impressive ceremony in the Wing Sing Monastery during which many speeches were delivered. Mr. Lin Shik Tsing in the course of his address declared that he would, as far as lay in his power, co-operate with the Police of the city for the maintenance of peace and good order.

**GENERAL CHEN MING SHU.**

General Chen Ming Shu is being urgently requested by leading Canton officials to return to Canton as soon as he can and take charge of affairs there. It is perhaps a little difficult for Chinese officials to believe in every illness among their colleagues, but there is no doubt about it, unfortunately in this case. The General hopes to leave the Government Civil Hospital, Hong Kong, in about ten days.

**PROMISSORY NOTE CASE.**

COUNSELS' SUBMISSIONS.

JUDGMENT RESERVED.

The lengthy proceedings in the promissory note action at the Supreme Court before the Chief Justice (Sir Henry Gollan) concluded yesterday after counsel for both sides had addressed the court.

A sum of \$4,608 alleged to be principal and interest under a promissory note, is claimed by Lam Ting On, as head of the King On Tong firm, from the Ma Pak Leung firm of druggists in Hong Kong. Defendants deny liability on the ground that the note was signed by the Ma Pak Leung firm of Fatsan and Canton, which is separate from the Hong Kong firm.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin is for the plaintiff, while Mr. C. G. Alabaster, K.C., and Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., are for the defendants.

In his final address, Mr. Potter remarked on the gravity of the case in that the Court was asked to give a judgment that the Hong Kong firm, apparently owned by two brothers, was part and parcel of the firm carrying on business in Fatsan. The evidence had been one way only, that the Hong Kong firm was never a branch of the Fatsan establishment. It was remarkable that the plaintiff had come to the Hong Kong Court when the people responsible for the note were functioning in Canton, and that not one witness had been called from the Fatsan firm or its Canton branches to support the plaintiff's case.

During his address for the plaintiff, Mr. Jenkin submitted that the witness Ma Chung Yu (partner of the defendant firm) if he was honest could have provided a simple explanation of the entry in the defendant firm's book relating to a payment to Fook Kee Bankers for account of Lam On Ting. If it was not a payment for interest, he had not explained what it represented, and instead made a hedging statement. There were also the contradictions by this witness between his sworn evidence and his affidavit. Mr. Jenkin commented on the name of the firm being the same, the cheque being the same except for size, and the only payment for interest, which agreed with the claim, being made by the Hong Kong firm.

At the close of the proceedings, his Lordship remarked that in fairness to both sides he proposed to go through the evidence and give his decision at a later date.

**KOWLOON POLICE COURT CASES.**

OBSTRUCTING THE POLICE.

An employee of the Mee Wah Knitting Factory appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at Kowloon Magistrate's Court for causing an obstruction by allowing 50 baskets of coal to be left on the roadway at Tam Kum Road, Kowloon Tong. Another employee was charged with obstructing an Indian sergeant in the execution of his duty.

The constable said that he arrested the first defendant on his refusal to disclose his name. Had the man given his name a summons would have been issued in the usual manner. During the argument, an Indian sergeant arrived and they decided to take the man to the Police Station. Then the other employee came out and attempted to stop the police from arresting the first defendant. A third folk from the Knitting Factory said that he saw the Indian sergeant pull a button off his own tunic as he walked to the Station so as to incriminate the second defendant. This allegation was denied by the police.

The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$2 for the obstruction, and a fine of \$10 for obstructing the police.

**STEALING PIGEONS.**

A Chinese was convicted of stealing two pigeons from the residence of Mr. P. J. O'Brien in Kowloon Tong and sentenced to three months' imprisonment. The defendant's record showed two previous convictions.

**ELECTRICIAN FINED.**

The Chinese electrician employed at a shop in Yau-mai, who was remanded on Tuesday on a charge of the larceny of \$23 worth of electrical goods from his master's shop, was convicted by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith yesterday and fined \$20.

**ALLEGED JUNK ROBBER.**

SERIOUS CHARGES.

WITNESS SPEAKS OF ASSAULT AND TORTURE.

A Chinese was charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday with complicity in an armed robbery aboard a junk whilst at anchor off Tai Nam Chong, in British waters, on March 21, 1928. The defendant denied the accusation.

Inspector Ogg who was in charge of the case said that the junk was owned by a Chinese, who operated a number of lime kilns on the British border. The junk was used to convey the lime to various places along the border and round the coast. The junk with a crew of three men set off from Sa Kong on March 20, 1928, and worked its way around to Castle Peak where a cargo of lime was discharged. The master received \$65.50 as payment for the cargo. The junk was then ordered to Hong Kong to bring back a cargo of coal. Arriving off Tai Nam Chong, the master dropped anchor as there was not sufficient wind to proceed. They lay at anchor the whole day and at 7 p.m. the crew went to sleep on deck "under a cover."

About an hour later they felt a bump and getting up they found a boat alongside the junk. There were eight men on board this boat, and before they knew what had happened this party had swarmed on board and overpowered the three men in the junk. Two of the intruders carried revolvers. The \$65.50 was stolen from the master and the three men were tied up and huddled into the other boat, and kept under a cover so that they could not see where they were going.

They were taken to a little hut within the Chinese territory where they were kept in a cockpit. After four or five days imprisonment one of the men was allowed to go, taking with him a letter demanding ransom. The other two men were kept at the hut during which time they were subjected to many hardships and were continually ill-treated.

The owner of the junk later got in touch with the go-between and paid a sum of \$370 for the two men's ransom and the return of the junk. On March 24, 1928—just over a year later—the two men came back to the owner and were re-employed in his service. The man who brought the letter of ransom cannot be found but it is thought that he has got a job as a fisherman.

**The Defendant's Arrest.**

Recently whilst at Sa Kong, one of the two men released from captivity happened to enter a little shop where he recognised the defendant as the man who acted as a prison warder over them and who took an active part in the raid on the junk. The former victim hastily summoned help and the defendant was arrested and handed over to the police at Ping Shan.

One of the victims of the raid said that that he was forced to write the letter of ransom. At first he refused and the defendant bound his head with a piece of wire which he twisted tighter and tighter until the man could bear it no longer. During the imprisonment the two men will say that they were often beaten and assaulted by the defendant. The case was adjourned until this morning at 10 a.m.

**TREASURY LOSS RECALLED.**

GOVERNMENT AND THE BANK.

ACTION FILED.

April 22 has been fixed by the Chief Justice for the commencement of the Supreme Court of an action by the Hong Kong Government against the Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, as a sequel to the quarter million dollar Treasury fraud for which Carvalho Yeo was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment.

It is understood that the Government claim the re-crediting of \$260,407.98—the total amount of three cheques paid to the account of Katz & Co., Min Tak & Co., and Man Lee Co.—alleging that the Bank wrongly debited the General Account of the Government with the amounts of the cheques, which purported to bear the signatures of Mr. C. McK. Messer and Mr. T. Black of the Treasury. In their statement of defence, the Bank deny that the cheques are forgeries, and make certain allegations of negligence on the part of the Government.

Counsel engaged in the action will be, it is understood, Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. G. Sheldon, instructed by Mr. T. M. Macdonald, Assistant Crown Solicitor for the Government, and for the defence Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. D. J. Lewis, of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes & Master.

**JAPANESE AIR SERVICE.**

FROM TOKYO TO OSAKA.

BAD ROADS A HANDICAP.

Tokyo (U.P.).—Under the management of the Japan Aerial Transportation Company, an air-mail service between Tokyo and Osaka was inaugurated on April 1. The clerk of the weather had apparently not been properly and sufficiently propitiated, as there was a drizzling and persistent rain, which dampened the enthusiasm of the officials and citizens who went out to the aerodrome at Tachikawa in the early hours to witness the start of the first machine.

The mail for Osaka, in two bags, containing over a thousand letters and double that number of postcards, arrived somewhat late, owing to the bad roads, but was speedily loaded on the first plane, together with a quantity of flowers sent by Baron Sakatani, President of the Imperial Aviation Association that sponsored the abortive attempt at a flight across the Pacific last year.

**Second Attempt Succeeds.**

The pilot of the first plane found the Hakone mountains so densely covered with clouds that he decided to return, and arrived back at Tachikawa after about an hour and a half of flying. The weather cleared at noon, and the same pilot "hopped off" again, this time taking the afternoon mails, as well as those intended for the morning flight.

He made good time, and safely arrived at the Osaka flying field in a little over three hours.

The up mail from Osaka arrived at Tachikawa in good time, at 4.15 p.m., but it took so long to get the mail in from there to the Tokyo Central Post Office that the letters, except those addressed to the three central wards of the city, could not be delivered until next morning.

The actual airplane service between the flying grounds will not present any difficulty, but the whole service is handicapped by want of decent roads between the city and the aerodrome.

Tachikawa is less than 20 miles out, but the roads are narrow, twisting, and unsurfaced, and almost always so badly congested with all kinds of traffic that motor-cars cannot make good time.

**THE BRITISH LEGION.**

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR 1928.

**USEFUL RELIEF WORK.**

The eighth annual general meeting of the Hong Kong branch of the British Legion will be held in the board room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Thursday, April 18, at 5.15 p.m.

The report states that the amount expended on relief work during the year was \$9,605.50. Passages were provided for two men, temporary keep paid and financial assistance granted in other cases. Nine cases were assisted in all. Apart from this, \$300 was donated to the Poppy Day Fund.

The Legion is now a member of the General Charities Organisation which has been formed to prevent the duplicating of assistance and it has been found of great help when investigating cases.

During the year an appeal was made on behalf of the Earl Haig Memorial Homes and the response from members and others resulted in the sum of £37.19.7 being sent home.

The usual Poppy Day drive was organised and was quite successful, £1,747.4.5 being forwarded to the Headquarters of the appeal. Thanks are due to Mr. W. B. Cornaby (Hon. Secretary), Mr. J. Kerr Shaw (Hon. Treasurer) and their Sub-Committee and to the many others who assisted.

Funds have been maintained by the annual interest from the late Sir Paul Chater's fund and a generous donation from the Hong Kong Jockey Club to whom the Legion is most grateful. The income from Members' Annual Subscriptions shows a further decline and "we again appeal to all to do their utmost to introduce new members." It is also unfortunate to note that many members still in the Colony have overlooked the payment of their subscriptions. It is always difficult to collect small sums and a prompt reply to the yearly reminder sent out by the Hon. Treasurer would be of great assistance to him.

The balance sheet shows that total expenditure during the year was \$3,692 and receipts amounted to \$3,331, leaving a deficit on the year's working of \$361. The total assets are \$6,500.

**JOURNALIST AS ADVISER.**

NANKING APPOINTMENT.

LONG ASSOCIATION WITH CHINA.

Nanking (U.P.).—Mr. Thomas F. Millard has been appointed an adviser to the Government with the title of "Adviser to the Government of the Republic of China." It is understood that Mr. Millard will assume his duties as soon as his successor as chief correspondent in the Far East of the *New York Herald Tribune* arrives.

Mr. Millard has long been known as a friend of China and the Chinese. His journalistic connection with the Far East began in 1899, almost exactly thirty years ago, and for some time he has been recognised as an authority on conditions in this part of the world. Of Mr. Millard's numerous books, no less than six deal with China and the Far East. His first book upon China appeared in 1906 and his latest book was published in 1923.

**Editor and Manager.**

After making a number of visits to the Far East, Mr. Millard, in association with Mr. B. W. Fleisher, founded in 1911 *The China Press* at Shanghai and was editor and manager of that newspaper for five years. In 1917 he founded Millard's Review of the Far East, which is published now as the *China Weekly Review*. Among his associates in founding *The China Press* was Dr. Wu Ting Fang, father of the present Chinese Minister to America and former Minister of Foreign Affairs in the National Government of China.

Mr. Millard has acted as adviser to the Chinese Government before. He was attached to the Chinese delegation at the Paris Peace Conference, and served in the same capacity at several sessions of the League of Nations at Geneva. He was an adviser, also, to the Chinese delegation during the Washington Conference, and he attended the Lausanne conference as an unofficial observer. From that it will be understood that Mr. Millard has an intimate and exceptional knowledge of China's political questions based on long contact and experience.

During the last four years Mr. Millard has been correspondent in China for the *New York Times*, *New York World*, *Asia Magazine* and other publications. Since 1927 he has been chief correspondent in the Far East for the *New York Herald Tribune* in charge of that newspaper's Far Eastern Bureau at Shanghai, a position which he resigns to accept this appointment.

Mr. Millard appeared twice before the United States Senate Committee on Foreign Relations as an expert on Chinese affairs, and his opinion is credited with having had great influence in causing the Senate to reject the Shantung Clauses of the Versailles Treaty and ultimately to reject the entire treaty. He is one of the best known living American journalists and is personally acquainted with many prominent people in America and Europe, including Pres. Hoover.

**THE MORAL AIM OF THE SCHOOL.**

LECTURE AT THE HONG KONG UNIVERSITY.

There was a large attendance of University students at the Union Assembly room yesterday when Mr. G. W. Reeve delivered a lecture on "The Moral Aim of the School."

The lecturer said that morality might be approached from a religious, secular or academic point of view, adding that the first was expressive of particular countries and as such could give no world wide ethical principle. The second subordinated the idea of moral aim to usefulness, and, as such, interpreted the Right and the Good in terms of their utilitarian value to man. The last was the standpoint of the student, who loved knowledge primarily for his own sake.

Speaking of the term "Good" the lecturer said that they had to start with the individual, look for the good in him and assume that he was "born" with good moral instincts. The proper development of these instincts would yield good character.

In summing up, Mr. Reeve stated that the school should look upon a child as good, or possessing the germs of goodness. Its primary objects should include the development of good character, and that could be done by giving correct direction tendency to the will. A good will was the same as a good character and a good character meant a good citizen of the world.

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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

**THE BRITISH LEGION.**  
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**THE 8th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** will be held at 5.15 P.M. on **THURSDAY, 12th APRIL, 1929**, in the **BOARD ROOM** of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.

**BUSINESS.**  
To receive the Report and Accounts for Year 1928.  
To elect Officers.  
A. PIERCEY,  
Hon. Secretary.  
[7639]

**HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB.**

**TENNIS TOURNAMENT.**

**THE POSTPONED FINAL**  
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**PUBLIC AUCTION.**

**PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS** of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on **MONDAY, the 15th DAY of APRIL 1929, at 3 P.M.**, at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the GOVERNOR, of One Lot of **CROWN LAND** at Shamshuipo, in the Colony of Hong Kong, for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1892, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less three days.

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		As per sale plan.			[7630]

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## NAVY LEAGUE.

**THE ANNUAL MEETING** of the above will take place on **FRIDAY, 19th APRIL, at 3.30 P.M.**, in the **BOARD ROOM** of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd. (By Kind Permission).

**BUSINESS.**  
(1) To receive and pass Accounts.  
(2) To elect the Committees.  
(3) To transact General Business.  
L. M. WHYTE,  
Hon. Secretary. [7622]

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By Order of the Court of Directors,  
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Hong Kong, 10th Apr., 1929. [7633]

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## WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.30 p.m., stated:—

The anticyclone has strengthened and moved southward, it is now central over the Yangtze Valley. Moderate monsoon may be expected along the south-east coast of China and over the N. China Sea. Local Forecast:—N.E. winds, moderate, cloudy, some rain at first, improving later.

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## The Daily Press.

Hong Kong, April 12, 1929.

## BRITISH METHODS OF BUSINESS.

Will the average conservative British businessman become the "go getter," the "live wire," that his Yankee cousin is popularly supposed to be? Will British industry be forced to adopt modern methods of mass production and amalgamation in order to rescue itself from its present difficulties? These and other questions are raised, but not definitely answered, in the Report of the Committee on Industry and Trade, recently issued. The committee, popularly known as the BALFOUR Committee because Sir ARTHUR BALFOUR was its chairman, was appointed in July, 1924, by the then Prime Minister, RAMSAY MACDONALD. Its purpose was to "enquire into the conditions and prospects of British industry and commerce, with special reference to the export trade." The committee's conclusions are signed by nine members, while seven others concurred in a minority report.

It might be well for Americans, whose existence is clearly regulated by chain systems, manufacturing and selling everything from cigars to harvesting machinery, to remember that England started the chain-store. Two of the oldest chains in the world, Boots Drug Stores and the Aerated Bread Company, were established about the time of the Civil War in the United States. Several British banks have hundreds of branches, and rank among the highest capitalised banks in the world. The Lyons restaurant chain is as powerful in England as any similar organisation in the United States. Salmon and Gloucester cigar-stores are proportionately as numerous in England as the red front variety on the other side of the Atlantic. The English Co-operative Wholesale Society has 3,300 affiliated retail societies. It is thus clear that the chain-store system is not new in England, moreover, the chain organisations are flourishing and not subject to the depression found in other businesses.

British industry has thus far maintained the individualistic character that has been traditional for centuries. A notable exception has been in Morris motor, where production has increased from 357 cars in 1919 to over 60,000 annually. Mr. W. R. Morris, recently made a knight, saw the need for a small car in England, and adopted mass production methods to meet the demand. Chemical and electrical equipment interests have recently shown a leaning toward collective organisation, but coal, metals, and textiles are still the most individualistic, and the least prosperous, of British industries. The BALFOUR Committee was unanimous in recommending that British industry must be revived to meet present world competition. The will and power by the majority were emphasised to complete the process. But the "severe limits" within which mass production and intensive amalgamation might be applied in England were pointed out. The minority report stated that "the technical reconstruction involved, issuing in a common production and price policy, may, but need not, take the form of trustification."

The committee found no "single sovereign specific for all the difficulties which beset British industry and trade." It set out to "find the means of restoring the competitive power of British industry and trade without impairing the standard of living, and of enabling British exporters to place their products in external markets in sufficient volume and on terms acceptable to overseas buyers." Post-war conditions, increasing trade barriers, stoppage of emigration, chaotic condition of foreign exchange and currencies, and the loss of wealth and crushing burden of debt under which the country has been staggering since the war, were found among the chief causes of present conditions. In recommending the "transformation" of trade and industry the majority report of the committee pointed out the need of great judgment and discrimination, and even restraint. "This involves a great change in the attitude of the average businessman to new ideas," the report said,

"and in particular towards the results of scientific research and of higher education." Trade restrictions and demarcation rules are detrimental to the progress of trade, the committee found, adding "we are aware of no other country that suffers nearly so much as Great Britain from artificial and hard and fast lines of demarcation between different skilled crafts."

The nearest reference to mass production will undoubtedly involve a great deal of scrapping and replacement of plant, and enlargement of the industrial unit, both by growth and by the regrouping of units through consolidation or other forms of association, so as to obtain the full benefits of large-scale production, elimination of waste, standardisation and simplification of practice, and all the other measures of economy usually included under the comprehensive term of "rationalisation." The minority report stated that rationalisation did not necessarily mean "trustification" by workers, and a vigilant maintenance of the general social interest by the State, were described as essential "if industrial reorganisation is to raise the national standard of life." Nationalisation, more than anything else, seemed to be the minority keynote.

Their report advocated State control of land, transport, electricity, and the Bank of England, and the creation of a National Economic Committee and a National Employment and Development Board.

Britain forgot the lessons of wartime efficiency too soon, the minority report says. Noting the "mighty transformation from individualistic to co-operative methods of action" during the last quarter of a century, the report adds: "In this country the corporate structure, built up of necessity to meet the emergency of war with its demands for maximum efficiency, no matter at what cost in the scrapping of habitual notions, was hastily dismantled after the armistice, and few of its lessons seem to have been laid to heart. Very different has been the experience in the countries which compete with us for a share of the world's trade. In one way and another the most important of our rivals and customers have swiftly and progressively reorganised their productive apparatus, and reorganised in terms of the new power placed at the disposal of trade and industry by science and co-operation. To mention only the most important countries, this has been the case in Germany, in France, and in the United States of America. Germany's reorganisation was accomplished "under the pressure of difficulties greater than ours," the minority report says, and is therefore "the most instructive case" for England. "Despite the fact that the Republic lost some of its most valuable industrial districts under the peace treaty, and has had to borrow capital from the United States for its finance, it is a serious rival in world markets."

Although the report does not specifically recommend the adoption of what are generally called "American methods" of mass production, interesting comments are made on the way the United States Government has aided home industry. "The huge activity of the Department of Commerce, in inciting and assisting such industry to adopt the most efficient organisation and devices, is in marked contrast to the traditional attitude of the corresponding British Departments. In each case, co-ordination is the major premise in the full application of scientific results to industry, both in the utilisation of research, the training of management, the pooling of ideas, and the establishment of co-operative selling organisations." The question whether Britain is approaching an age of "big business" is not answered by the BALFOUR report, but it is agreed that a thorough reorganisation of trade and industry is necessary.

## News and Views.

Yesterday's rainfall, between 10 a.m. and 9 p.m. as measured at the Royal Observatory, Kowloon was 0.24 of an inch.

Six cases of small-pox, all Chinese, were reported on Wednesday, 3 from Victoria and 3 from Kowloon. There were also 2 cases of diphtheria, 1 British and 1 Chinese, and two Chinese cases of meningitis.

When Revenue Officers stopped a young Chinese girl on the Water-front on Wednesday and later had her searched, 35 taels of opium were found in her girdle. The girl pointed out a man who gave her the girdle and at the Central Magistracy yesterday the man was fined \$3,000 or in default, three months' hard labour.

Two scavenging coolies who were charged before Major C. Wilson yesterday with the theft of blankets from the King Edward Hotel, explained that they took the blankets because they thought that they had been discarded as worthless. The blankets however proved to be in too good a condition to substantiate the defendants' excuse and sentence of one month's hard labour was imposed on each of the men.

Damaged estimated at \$30,000 was done at Kingston (Jamaica) by a fire which destroyed a railway pier and a number of trucks.

A prisoner's escape from the office of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs was circulated yesterday. The man was in custody on an alleged kidnapping charge and sneaked away while he was handcuffed.

Three vehicle accidents appeared in the police reports yesterday, two of which ended in slight damage to a ricksha wheel and the hood of a motor-car. In the other a motor-car knocked down a man, who was injured in the head.

Admiral Sir T. H. Martin Jerram, who commanded the second battle squadron at Jutland and retired in 1918 after forty-seven years' service in the Navy, has been awarded a good service pension of \$300 a year.

When a Skegness cat sprang among a number of starving seagulls that were feasting on the roadways on scraps thrown out for them, the birds attacked the cat. Within ten minutes the cat had been torn limb from limb, and the gulls then devoured it.

The Merchandise Marks Act Standing Committee, in a report issued from London, recommended the marking of various rubber articles, including golf and tennis balls, with an indication of origin, but only when offered for sale, and not at the time of importation.

A haul of property worth \$81, in which was included a shot gun and ammunition, was taken by two men armed with daggers from a woman at a grocery shop in the Shataukok district. Another report concerned a grocery man, who stated that he was robbed of a wallet containing \$17.50 while he was walking in George Lane, near Staunton Street. He was attacked by two men who threw pepper into his eyes.

Application for approval to organise a company for the construction of a motor road between Tokyo and Osaka has been laid before the public works departments of Tokyo, Osaka, Kyoto and seven prefectural governments between the two cities. The company would be capitalised at yen 60,000,000 and would handle the construction of a road 508 miles long. Fees would be charged by the company to defray the cost of construction.

Public presentations of awards are somewhat of an ordeal to Chinese members of the Police, Fire Brigade, St. John's Ambulance Corps, and bodies of a like nature. The correct Chinese manner of receiving a gift is to bow profoundly and take it in both hands. The European way is to step forward, salute smartly with one hand and take the medal, cup, testimonial or whatever it may be, with the other. Both methods are admirable, but the same cannot be said of the odd compromise between the two which characterises these affairs. It is reminiscent of that devoted awkward squad, the fire brigade recruited at Kowloon, diligently learning to form fours and mark time.

## Pisa's Leaning Tower.

The work of strengthening the foundations of the famous Leaning Tower of Pisa is proceeding with extreme caution, and an experiment has been made with the system to be followed on a piece of ground of about 160 yards from the base of the tower. Tubes have been let into the ground at this spot to a depth of 33 feet, through which cement has been poured. At the depth mentioned, hard blue clay was found, providing a resistant bed for the cement. Heavy iron rails and masses of stone are now being laid on the cement foundation in the trial piece of ground, the geological formation of which, according to the engineers, is identical with that beneath the foundation of the Leaning Tower. If the cement injections now made in the trial of the system give good results, and support the heavy strain to which they will be subjected, the process will be repeated at the base of the Tower itself.

## Scare Stories From Canton.

The statement was published a few days ago that a bomb outrage had occurred in Canton, the intended victim being General Chen Tai Tong. We have made inquiries about the alleged incident, and find it is unfounded. What actually happened was reported by our Canton correspondent on April 4—a hand-grenade overlooked by departing troops was picked up by some inquisitive individual and thrown against the steps of the Kwangsi Guild House, outside which building it was found. General Chen was not there, and never has been there; his headquarters, as a matter of fact, are on the opposite side of the river. He has never held any military conferences in the Guild House, and the fact that after the "outrage" he went to the Provincial Hall and addressed a mass meeting—where enemies could have entered as well as friends—may be taken as evidence that no attempt had just been made to assassinate him. The facts of the incident were accurately reported by our Canton correspondent at the time, and the more sensational story appears to be an exaggerated account of an incident of no political significance whatever.

Mrs. Smith, wife of Mr. R. H. Smith of Ramsgate, and her son, aged four, were seriously injured by a boiler explosion which wrecked the kitchen of their home.

## A Princess's Necklace.

About 3,000 years ago when Abraham set out from Ur with his flocks, a beautiful necklace of lapis-lazuli, jasper, onyx, jet and other precious stones, sparkled on the neck of some unknown Chaldean princess. Now, after all the intervening thousands of years the same necklace has been worn again on a 1929 British beauty, "Miss Persia" who wore it in a mannequin parade before 300 guests of the National Jewellers' Association at Manchester. Other jewels valued at more than \$1,000,000 were worn during the parade, but the Chaldean princess's necklace, which alone of all the jewels shown was not for sale, attracted more attention than all the rest of the \$1,000,000 exhibit put together.

## "Advertise or Fossilize."

Lord Ovear made a number of characteristic remarks on advertising when he opened the seventh annual exhibition of the London and North-Eastern Railway's posters at the New Burlington Galleries. "Samson," he declared, "got some wonderful advertising results when he took two columns and certainly brought down the house. If you do not advertise you fossilize. A man upon his trade relies. He must either bust or advertise. The prophet without honour is one who does not know how to advertise. Some people are always looking for a new kind of mistake to make. Success is merely a matter of buying your experience cheap and selling it at a profit. We are gradually and surely moving along to better times. If we will say 'basta off to the past and coats off to the future,' and act up to it all will come right."

## Work, Not Dole.

Italian agricultural labourers, thrown out of work by the exceptionally cold winter, are not to be helped by doles from their local "syndicates" or private individuals, "except in special cases, but given advance on work to be done by them when the weather conditions bring about greater activity in agriculture. This is the gist of a circular addressed by Dr. Dino Cacciari, President of the National Fascist Confederation of Agriculture to the provincial presidents. "Charitable offers to unemployed agricultural labourers," stated the circular, "are praiseworthy, but should be reserved only for exceptional cases. Help to labourers should be based on their capacity for work, and should take the form of advances made by farmers and land-owners for work which the labourers will be pledged to execute as soon as weather conditions permit." The circular goes on to say that this is the only form of temporary assistance which maintains the labourer's sense of self-respect and dignity.

## "The Stranger's Grave."

With public interest again centred on the recent disastrous fire in Hong Kong, it is appropriate to refer once more to the strange and still unexplained circumstances attending the burial of one of the victims of that disaster. It will be recalled that the body of Mr. Paul Baile, a Frenchman, was lowered into a grave without religious ceremony, nor was any European present at the graveside. Subsequently it was explained that a priest had gone to the cemetery the previous day, in accordance with a notification received from the undertaker, and after waiting half an hour, beyond the appointed time, went away. Next morning a party of coolies arrived with the coffin and lowered it into the grave. In the afternoon it was learned, quite by chance, that a coffin had been taken to the cemetery, and again the priest went to the graveside, but was astonished to see neither friends, compatriots, nor even the undertakers' men. There being no indication of anyone coming to the cemetery, the priest—after waiting awhile—read the burial service. Later it was stated by the undertaker that there had been a misunderstanding between the police and the Medical Officer of the Government Civil Hospital, and it had not been possible to remove the body until four o'clock on the day on which the funeral had been originally arranged for at eleven o'clock. All these details were published nearly a month ago, when we suggested that an explanation of the misunderstanding was due to the community. We now learn from authoritative sources that there was no misunderstanding between the Medical Officer and the police. It has taken a long time to elicit this information, but at last we have assurances that not only was there no misunderstanding—as was alleged by the undertaker—but that all official routine matters connected with the preliminaries to interment were carried out expeditiously. The net result of all this is that the question we asked nearly a month ago remains still unanswered—who gave the Chinese coolies instructions to lower the coffin into the grave? When we get the answer to that question, we shall know who was responsible for an incident which has brought discredit upon the Colony, and has aroused righteous indignation not only in this community but much further afield.



**FENG LOYAL TO NANKING.**

WAITING FOR ORDERS.

TROOPS MAY GO TO SHANTUNG.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HANKOW, April 11. Feng Yu Hsiang has followed up his sending of delegates by a telegram reiterating his loyalty to the Government at Nanking, and stating that he is at present waiting for further orders.

Ma Fu Hsiang, Feng's peace delegate, is returning northward to-day.

**Garrisoning Shantung?**

A *Wah Tat* message says that, with the sanction of the Central Government, Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang has detailed over 60,000 troops to garrison Shantung, under the direction of Sun Liang Cheng, chairman of the Provincial Government of Shantung.

Troops commanded by Fang Chin Wu, Han Fu Chu and Shih Yu San, stationed in Hupeh along the Peking-Hankow Railway were detailed to Shantung on April 9. Feng's troops in other localities will also proceed to Shantung.

**MARTIAL LAW REPEALED IN WUHAN.**

(Wah Tat Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, April 11. The Wuhan Government is again under civilian control—the officials having been nominated by Nanking. Martial law was superseded by the ordinary regime on the 8th inst.

Chiang Kai Shek is returning to Nanking with his troops on April 13.

**MARSHAL LI TSAI HSIN.**

(Wah Tat Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, April 11. As a plague has been recently prevalent in Tangshan, Marshal Li Tsai Hsin requested the Chief of the "Guards" to be allowed to live elsewhere. His request was acceded to and he is now living in the city, together with Wu Tsai Hui.

**MONGOLIAN GOVERNOR MURDERED.**

ALLEGED WORK OF RUSSIANS.

According to the *Wah Tat Yat Pao*, the Central Government has been investigating a complaint that a number of young Japanese have been attempting to stir up trouble in Mongolia.

The allegation is that the said youths have been trying to start a Mongolian separatist movement. General Yen Hsi Shan telegraphed to the Department of Mongolian and Tibetan Affairs on April 8, reporting that the Chairman of the Provincial Government of Outer Mongolia has been murdered by the Russians, and requested the Government to lodge a strong protest with the Soviet Government.

**CHINESE MINISTER TO JAPAN.**

(Wah Tat Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, April 11. It is learned that Mr. Wang Yung Pei, the Chinese Minister to Japan, will be transferred, and Dr. Chu Chao Hsin, the Vice-Minister of Foreign Affairs and Commissioner for Foreign Affairs of Kwangtung, will be appointed to succeed him.

**MORE REVENUE FOR NANKING.**

SHANSI RECEIPTS TO BE REMITTED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, April 11. It is learned from Tsingtau that Yen Hsi Shan has gone to Wutai to visit his father. After a short stay there, he will proceed to Peking.

All the national revenue collected in Shansi, Chahar, and Suiyuan will hereafter be remitted direct to the Ministry of Finance as a result of an agreement between Yen Hsi Shan and Mr. T. V. Soong.

**COMMUNISTS IN KIANGSI.**

MISSION PROPERTY BURNED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, April 11. A message from the sub-committee of the National Council at Nanchang, states that Communist troops are still active in this region. Mission property at Juikun has been burned, and the Communists are approaching Nanchang, which is preparing for a siege pending the arrival of Government troops from Nanchang.

**UNEASINESS IN TSINAN.**

JAPANESE RESIDENTS ALARMED.

WOMEN TO LEAVE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, April 11. News from Tsinan is that despite assurances by the Japanese Consul that full protection would be accorded them after the withdrawal of Japanese troops, the Japanese residents, at a meeting, decided by a large majority to evacuate all women and children to Tsingtau next week.

For those unable to afford the expense this entails, the Residents' Association has provided \$8,000 for travelling, and \$7,000 for living expenses in Tsingtau for one month.

It is believed that the uneasiness is caused by the alleged failure of the Chinese authorities to deliver the programme of intentions for peace and order in Tsinan after the Japanese withdrawal, the delivery of which was promised for April 3.

**The Hankow Incident.**

NANKING, April 11. The informal conversations on the Hankow and Nanking incidents continued this morning between the representatives of Dr. C. T. Wang and the Japanese Minister, Mr. Yoshikawa.

It is reported that only one point is left unsettled, and a settlement is expected shortly.

**TO SEARCH SHIPS AT WOOSUNG.**

CHINESE AUTHORITIES' DECISION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NANKING, April 11. The State Council of the National Government of China has instructed the Commissioner of Foreign Affairs for Kiangsu province to inform the Senior Consul in Shanghai that all vessels bound for Shanghai, irrespective of nationality, must be subject to search by responsible representatives of the local (Chinese) civil and military authorities on entering Woosung, the anchorage below Shanghai.

The object of this order, it is stated, is to prevent counter-revolutionaries or communists from taking passage in foreign steamers for Shanghai.

**JAPANESE TROOPS IN MANCHURIA.**

DESIGNS ON THE RAILWAY.

Private advices are that about 20,000 Japanese troops have lately arrived at Liaoyang and Haicheng, in Fengtien. There are about 8,000 Japanese troops at Shenyang.

It is said that their object is to seize the railway running between Mukden and Haicheng.

**JAPANESE NAVAL DISASTER.**

SEVEN STUDENTS KILLED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, April 11. It is officially announced that seven naval students were killed and thirty injured as the result of a mine exploding aboard a mine-layer.

The disaster occurred at the Yokosuka Navy Base whilst practice operations were being carried out.

**CONCESSION TO RADIO ENTHUSIASTS.**

BRITAIN'S DECISION.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUSSBY, April 10. A development in wireless broadcasting is signalled by an announcement that in view of the increasing popularity of portable wireless sets, the Postmaster General has decided that in future a wireless licence shall cover not only the use of wireless sets at the permanent address of the licensee, but also the use of a portable set.

**MINORITIES.**

COMMITTEE TO MEET IN LONDON.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUSSBY, April 10. The meeting of the sub-committee appointed by the League Council at its last meeting to deal with the question of minorities will gather in the Foreign Office on April 23. Sir Austen Chamberlain is the rapporteur on the question and his colleagues who will come to discuss the matter with him are Signor Quinones de Leon (Spain) and Mr. Adachi (Japan).

**FRANCONIA RUNS AMOK.**

FATAL COLLISION IN SHANGHAI.

JAPANESE BOAT DAMAGED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, April 10.

The Cunard Steamship Co.'s R.M.S. Franconia (of 20,000 tons), under Commander E. T. Britten, R.D., R.N.R., when leaving the China Merchants S.N. Co.'s lower wharf for Chiungang, grounded with her bows.

The liner, 612 feet long, swung across the Whangpoo River and just cleared the Italian cruiser Libia, but fouled the cruiser's stern buoy, also the moorings and hull of the Japanese s.s. Shunten Maru.

**Lighters Demolished.**

The Shunten Maru's moorings parted and became entangled with the Franconia's balance rider.

The Japanese vessel's upper structure was damaged and she pushed over a large mooring buoy which then bobbed up immediately under two cargo lighters, smashing the two craft to smithereens, and precipitating their crews (totaling twenty) into the river.

Most of these unfortunate people were saved but four were picked up unconscious and succumbed later.

**Liner Re-moored.**

The Franconia was skillfully re-moored alongside the China Merchants' lower wharf. Her rudder has been cleared by divers and she sails for Chiungang in North China, to-morrow morning.

**MRS. GANN'S VICTORY.**

DIPLOMATS IN SOLEMN CONCLAVE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, April 10.

Victory in the "social precedence" battle, has been conceded to Mrs. Gann. A crowded meeting at the British Embassy, composed of heads of practically every diplomatic mission in the United States, discussed the issue for hours, and decided that Mrs. Gann should be accorded the social status normally held by the wife of the Vice-President.

This policy will be observed until the Diplomatic Corps are to obtain a "definite ruling from a constituted American authority."

Sir Esme Howard, the British Ambassador, intimated that a committee of the Diplomatic Corps had been appointed to deal with such questions in the future. Apparently the status of Mr. Gann was not discussed.

**THE "SOUTHERN CROSS."**

RESCUING CREW NOW MISSING.

FORMER ENEMIES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SYDNEY, April 11.

Lieutenant Keith Anderson and his pilot, Robert Hitchcock, both of whom were recently engaged in litigation with the Southern Cross flyers, Captain Kingsford Smith and Mr. Harry Ulm, in connection with their Pacific flight, have been searching for the lost aeroplane since Monday, and are themselves now missing.

Anderson and Hitchcock should have arrived at Wyndham, in North-west Australia, last night, but nothing has been heard of them since they left Newcastle Waters, 450 miles from Wyndham.

**Government Active.**

SYDNEY, April 10.

The Government of Australia has taken charge of the search for Captain Kingsford Smith, Mr. Ulm and the two other occupants of the Southern Cross, which has been missing for twelve days.

It is presumed that the machine made a forced descent in the mountains some fifty miles east of Fort St. George, where the natives are unfriendly, but natural food is plentiful.

**THE "I'M ALONE" NOTE.**

"NOT TRUCULENT."

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, April 10.

Although the terms of the Note to the United States on the "I'm Alone" sinking affair have not been disclosed, the Canadian Government is accused of truculence by a section of the American newspapers.

Contrary to these reports, Mr. H. L. Stimson, the Secretary of State, says that the tone of the Canadian Note is most temperate and conciliatory. He adds that the American Reply is now being drafted.

**THE DELHI BOMB OUTRAGE.**

CONDEMNATION IN THE ASSEMBLY.

THE PRESIDENT'S POWERS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

NEW DELHI, April 11.

The Legislative Assembly re-assembled to-day, when Mr. Patel ruled that the discussion on the Public Safety Bill was out of order till after the Meerut Conspiracy trials.

He then read a message from the Viceroy, who will address the House.

**Outrage Condemned.**

Sir George Schuster (the Finance Member, who was previously reported injured), occupied a seat in the Assembly and Sir John and Lady Simon were present in the President's gallery when, before giving his ruling on the Public Safety Bill debate, Mr. Patel submitted a resolution recording the horror and indignation of the Assembly at the dastardly outrage of Monday last.

Mr. Patel deeply sympathized with Sir Bomanji Dalal and the others injured, and expressed profound relief that the results were no more serious.

He further unreservedly condemned the outrage, assuring the authorities of full support in such reasonable steps as might be necessary to prevent a recurrence.

The resolution was carried unanimously.

**Authority of the Chair.**

In delivering his ruling, Mr. Patel said that the Government statement that the President was not empowered to disallow discussion of the Public Safety Bill was a direct challenge to the Chair, and undermined its authority. The Law member, in quoting Parliamentary authority had left out one important sentence, namely that it was entirely within the discretion of the Chair whether it could submit a new point of order.

Mr. Patel was convinced that the proposed debate was impossible while the Meerut trial was pending. Such a debate would only be a farce and a fraud. He further claimed that the Speaker exercised a direct influence on the legislative action of the House.

Power not to put a motion to the House was not expressly given, but accrued by implication and analogy. He therefore ruled the Public Safety Bill out of order.

**Trade Bill Passed.**

LATER.

The Council of State has passed without change the Trade Dispute Bill, which the Assembly passed on April 8.

The measure, prepared by the Government of India, is based on those sections of British Trade Union legislation establishing a Court of Enquiry, composed of interested persons, to investigate disputes; also a Joint Conciliation Board laying down the penalties for stoppage of work by employees of public utility services on monthly wages.

The measure applies also to persons fostering strikes or lockouts to coerce the Government, or having any object other than the furtherance of the trade dispute within the industry wherein the disputants are directly engaged.

The Opposition in the Legislative Assembly urged the postponement of the Bill until the publication of the Report of the Whitley Commission, which has been enquiring into Labour conditions.

**More Threats Made.**

NEW DELHI, April 10.

It is understood that some of the members of the Indian Legislative Assembly have received letters signed "Dinamraj" (denoting the Hindu Socialist Republican Army) threatening them with death.

**THE KING'S IMPROVEMENT CONTINUES.**

A ROYAL VISITOR.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUSSBY, April 10.

H.M. the King passed another good day. Despite a cold north-easterly wind, King's Majestic was out in the morning and was joined in the gardens at Craigweil House by Lord Stamfordham, his Private Secretary, who walked and chatted with His Majesty.

Prince Axel of Denmark arrived at Bognor this afternoon.

**"WET" AMERICAN LINERS.**

"MEDICINAL LIQUOR" TO BE ALLOWED.

LEGAL AUTHORITY.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, April 11.

The sailing of the Leviathan yesterday under the flag of the United States Lines Incorporated, to whom the liner has been sold by the United States Shipping Board, marked the official restoration of liquor selling to American ships in the Transatlantic trade.

Since 1923 ten United States Government-owned liners on the European run have been "dry" under the mandate of the Shipping Board, but all this has been abolished by an order of Mr. Joseph Sheedy, the Vice-President of the new line. The order is that the Leviathan can serve passengers with "medicinal liquor" after passing the 12-mile limit.

Mr. Sheedy's order has been legalized by a decision of the United States Supreme Court, under which sufficient liquor can be taken aboard at foreign ports for the return voyage.

There will be no public bars, but the passengers may have liquor sent to their staterooms, or with their meals.

**AMERICAN TORNADO VICTIMS.**

PEOPLE PICKED UP BODILY.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

LITTLE ROCK, Arkansas, April 11.

There are up to now 9 dead and 40 injured in a tornado in the district north of Newport.

It is now estimated that 29 people are dead, and scores injured in the tornado.

Several persons were picked up bodily and carried a considerable distance before being dashed to earth.

Most of the injuries, however, were caused by collapsing of houses.

**SALVATION ARMY PAGEANT.**

CENTENARY OF BIRTH OF GENERAL BOOTH.

THE PREMIER PRESIDES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 10.

Thousands of cheering Salvationists, in the Albert Hall, watched the pageant illustrating the Salvation Army's rise and progress, in connection with the Centenary celebration of the birth of William Booth, the founder.

Mr. Baldwin, accompanied by his wife, presided, and said that it was most fitting that on that occasion, for the country and the country's debt to Booth, who, "like many great men, was a Conservative and a reformer and believed in tradition and novelty."

**DUBLIN-LONDON AIR SERVICE.**

PROPOSED IRISH SCHEME.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUSSBY, April 10.

A Committee of the Irish Free State Government is considering a scheme of aviation development for the Free State which has been submitted by the newly-formed company, Irish Airways.

The Directors of the Company include Colonel Fitzmaurice, the Atlantic flier.

The scheme embraces a regular day service between Dublin and London by machines capable of carrying from twelve to twenty passengers at a fare which is about the same as the first-class charge for rail and boat.

**"THE DOVER ROAD."**

INCREASED ATTENDANCE LAST NIGHT.

Last night's performance of "The Dover Road" by the A.D.C. at the Theatre Royal, received the best attendance at yet.

All the same, there were still a number of vacant seats, and it is hoped that to-night and to-morrow night these will be filled.

The public is reminded that 50 per cent. of the takings will be given to the Fund for relief in the distressed areas at Home.

It is worthy of note that the increased attendance last night greatly encouraged the Company, enabling them to give added zest to their already excellent performance.

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**ELECTIONEERING BEGINS!**

UP-TO-DATE METHODS.

INTENSIVE CAMPAIGN BY ALL PARTIES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 10.

The General Election campaign has opened in real earnest, and the electorate may expect to be bombarded with political oratory for the next seven weeks, in the course of which, it is estimated, at least 25,000 meetings will be held.

The rival parties are making use of every modern device for reaching the electors, and the "Big Push" has already begun with the use of wireless broadcasting, cinema shows and "talkies" and the motor-car.

Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, the Minister for War, to-day delivered the first of eight political speeches which, by arrangement, will be broadcast in London by the three parties.

**1,840 Candidates.**

Sir Herbert Samuel, one of the Liberal leaders, to-day inaugurated in the West Country, a great Liberal motor crusade from Land's End to John O'Groats, which is to last for three weeks.

Already 1,840 candidates have been adopted, the party figures being as follows:—

Conservatives	580
Labour	565
Liberal	495

The number of women candidates is not so great as was expected, but 65 women have been formally adopted for different constituencies, only seven of whom are Conservatives.

Socialists have selected 30 women candidates and the Liberals 28.

**Everyone For Themselves!**

A proposal that there should be a pact between the Liberals and the Conservatives to keep the Socialists out has been much discussed, but Sir Laming Worthington-Evans, speaking of this proposal to-day, rejected it as a "policy of cowardice and futility."

Sir Herbert Samuel declared that the Liberal Party stands alone. It will not make a compact with either of its opponents.

**The Liberal Banks.**

Lord Grey of Falloden addressed a meeting in London of the Liberal Council which was formed against the leadership of Mr. Lloyd George in 1927.

Lord Grey expressed the opinion that the reasons for the separate existence of the Council had not diminished, but as Liberals they must consider on which side they should fight the Election. He declared that only by the return of a Liberal Government could the country be safeguarded on the one hand from Protection, and on the other, from Socialism.

Mr. Lloyd George's unemployment pledge assured the return of a Government, which whatever its party, would have to consider Mr. Lloyd George's proposals as a practical policy.

**Cabinet Meets.**

British Wireless says that the first Cabinet meeting after the Easter recess has been held, and it is understood that Mr. Stanley Baldwin outlined the General Election policy which he will announce on April 18 at a meeting to be held at the Drury Lane Theatre.

It is also understood that Mr. Churchill, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, submitted some of the proposals of his forthcoming Budget, which will have a bearing on the election programme.

**Tea Market Prospects.**

Reuter learns that the business of the tea market has been held up because it is thought that the Budget will announce substantial reductions in the tea duty.

Dealers are withdrawing as little as possible from bond. The general impression is that only Empire-grown tea will be affected, but brokers do not believe that the whole of the Empire duty will be removed. They anticipate a reduction of about 2d. per lb. on Empire tea.

**Labour Programme.**

Following consultations between the Labour Party and representatives of building operatives, the Labour spokesman, Mr. Arthur Greenwood, M.P., has indicated that if a Labour Government is formed it will go "full steam ahead" in the provision of working-class houses at reasonable rentals, and the destruction of slums.

**Telegrams in Brief.**

It is learned that His Majesty the King has approved of the appointment of General Dawes as the United States Ambassador to London.

Prince Purachatra, the Minister of Communications of Siam, has left Paris for Berlin.

M. Mironescu, the Rumanian Foreign Minister, has arrived in London. A representative of Sir Austen Chamberlain met him at Victoria station.

Mr. Calvin Coolidge, the ex-President, has been appointed a Director of the New York Life Insurance Company, in succession to the late Mr. Myron Herrick, the U.S. Ambassador in Paris.

The Olympic Games Committee has chosen Lake Placid, in New York State, as the venue of the next Olympic Winter Games.

With regard to the bombing of Las Limas in Honduras by United States aeroplanes, and the allegations that the town was destroyed by a fire resulting from the bombing, the headquarters of the United States Marines state that only one shack was destroyed.

The National Government has accepted the invitation of the German Government transmitted through Mr. Chiang Tsao Ping, Chinese Minister at Berlin, to participate in the International Public Health Exhibition which is to be held in Germany, in May, 1930.

The State Council, in a communication to the Ministry of Public Health, instructs that a number of public health experts under the Ministry be appointed as China's representatives to the Exhibition and that a budget of the expenses for the collection and transportation of various articles for exhibit in Germany together with the estimated expenses of the delegates be submitted to the Council for consideration.

**PROTECTING NATIONAL CREDIT.**



## CRICKET NOTES.

I have already dealt very fully with last Saturday's game on the H.K.C.C. ground. But I forget to mention that considering the weather the wicket played uncommonly well. Brice, of course, was kicking up nastily but then he always does on anything at all hard, as he spins the ball, brings it down from a good height, and bowls short of a length. Yesterday's sprinkle of rain has refreshed the ground a bit but unless more rain falls after the time these notes are actually being written the wicket will hardly be affected. As soon as the Tennis Tournament is over, I hope the ground will be given a thorough rest while the spring rains have a go at it. It is perfectly pathetic to look at at present.

## Last Week's League Games.

The C.S.C.C. second eleven played a somewhat belated last game in the Junior Division and rather unexpectedly beat the University. The Civil Service now definitely takes fourth place, bracketed with R.A.S.C., which must gratify them. I confess I am surprised to find them so high. K.C.C. are sixth and so far the order is settled. University may take seventh place if they play their last match—or Craighower may, but I shall not be surprised to see the remaining five matches washed out.

## Hong Gams.

As I expected Taihook slipped it across but not so firmly as I expected. Coxon and Macdonald with 37 and 45 led for the latter. Moor did not come off for Taihook but Dowler was steady for them and with four other double figures contributed to help him win the game for his side. Hinton's expressions secured 6 for 21. Ewo thus, are holders of the Wooden Spoon. Peel's stable seems to be bucking up and you cannot have everything.

## To-morrow's Game.

The Club play the Rest of the League to-morrow if fine, but I have at present no definite information as to the extra meeting on down at Happy Valley. A savage editor wants these notes early but, if possible, I will get in a further note re the teams in the stop press or what not. The game should be regarded as an advance try out for the Interport and speaking without really thinking things out I should pick W. Brice, E. C. Fincher, Lt.-Col. Christian, F. Zimmerman, J. N. Anderson, B. S. M. Leach, A. W. Ramsay, W. C. Hung, A. H. Madar (if fit), Lt. Mussion and A. A. Rumjahn. Reserve E. F. Fincher. This assumes Col. Wyatt is not eligible as playing for the Second League. If not, I would put him in instead of either Madar or Rumjahn. I shall be interested to see how near I get to the side chosen.

## R. ABBIT.

## WINNERS &amp; THE REST.

The following teams have been selected to represent the Hong Kong C.C. as winners of the 1st and 2nd Leagues respectively. The Rest of the League—

1st XI. (on H.K.C.C. ground):—H. B. Hancock (captain), A. C. I. Bowler, A. G. Dobbin, E. J. R. Mitchell, A. W. Hayward, C. Moor, H. Owen Hughes, H. V. Parker, E. K. Quick, W. L. Stanton and C. D. Wales.  
2nd XI. (on C.R.C. ground):—A. H. Gillingham (captain), H. J. Armstrong, G. E. R. Dwyer, R. H. Dowler, E. R. Duckitt, H. L. F. Ewin, W. A. H. Maxwell, A. Reid, J. A. Summers, W. K. Tait, S. M. Walkinshaw.

## SCHNEIDER TROPHY.

## COMPETITOR'S WONDERFUL FEAT.

London (U.P.).—Looping and rolling an aeroplane at nearly 300 miles an hour sounds impossible, but it has just been done by a member of the British Schneider Trophy team which is under training at Felixstowe.  
The test followed a series of experiments in sharp cornering which are being conducted on a Gloucester Napier IV. with a view to finding out the best method of cornering without losing speed. The pilot made a few short straight runs at 300 miles an hour and then to the astonishment of the onlookers, with hardly any slackening of speed he put the machine through a clean loop followed by a complete roll.  
The test seems to have dispelled a belief prevalent two or three years ago that pilots lost consciousness in sharp turns at high speeds. None of the British Schneider team of four pilots, it is said, have shown any ill effects from turns made at between 200 and 300 miles an hour, and the only curb on the sharpness of turns, seems to be the capacity of the machine to stand the strain.

## LOCAL FOOTBALL.

China Athletic took two points from the R.A. and are now equal with the Somerset L.I. with 23 points for nineteen games played. China Athletic have to play the Hong Kong F.C. while the S.L.I. meet South China on Monday next in their closing game.

Yesterday's games in the Hong League resulted as under:—

## Division I.

China Athletic 1 R.A. 0

## Division II.

R.A. Reserves 4 China Ath. Res. 0

The senior game was played on the H.K.F.C. ground before a fair attendance. An incident in the game led to a R.A. player being ordered off by the referee. Football was scrappy mainly due to the state of the ground, and the players found it difficult to control the ball. Fouls were frequent although not serious. Both goalkeepers were kept busy, but the shots lacked sting owing to the ball being heavy. The R.A. rushed about, but the Athletic played better football though Suen was often at fault with wild kicking. Several times the Athletic were through but a Gunner would get in the way and the ball would come back to midfield. Ho Ka Keung scored from a pass by Chan Kwong In but the point was disallowed through an infringement before shooting. When a draw seemed to be the probable result, Suen Kum Shun worked between the backs and sent the ball into the net. This was well received by the Athletic supporters. From the centre kick the Athletic again got in but the final whistle sounded just before Ho Ka Keung sent the ball into the net, the result being a win for the Athletic by the narrow margin of one goal to nil.

## R.A. RESERVES v. CHINA ATHLETIC RESERVES.

The R.A. surprised the Athletic on their own ground and won after a strenuous game by four goals to nil. The heavy going suited the Gunners and they scored twice in each half. Watson opened the score and Taylor put the Gunners two up. Taylor scored again in the second half while Gardner put in the fourth goal.

## KOWLOON RES. v. SMALL UNITS.

The following have been selected to represent the Kowloon Football Club Reserves v. Small Units on Kowloon Football Club ground to-morrow:—Angus, Moore, Nicholls, Seddon, Campbell, Davies, King, McIntyre, Moss, Clemon, Blacklock. Reserves: White, Murphy.

## THE WORLD'S AIRWAYS.

## NEW "A.B.C." ISSUED.

London (U.P.).—There are now more than 75,000 miles of organised airways throughout the world serving 400 cities and towns. In 1919 there were only 3,200 miles. This is one of the facts revealed by the new issue of the "Aerial A.B.C." When the first daily air service between London and Paris was started 45 years ago a 380 horsepower airplane carried two passengers and a pilot. To-day on this route, three-motored planes, developing more than 1,000 horsepower, carry eighteen passengers and a crew of three men—pilot, wireless operator, and a steward who serves refreshments.

## Britain's Long Route.

In 1919 about 20 people crossed the Channel weekly by air. Last season, during one of the busiest weeks, 2,000 passengers flew in and out of the London air-station. Tickets for places as distant as Persia or Northern Africa can now be bought, and Moscow, by a new luxury air service, is only 29 hours from London. Next month Imperial Airways will open its through route from England to India, bringing Karachi within six days of London.

When this 6,000-mile airline is functioning Britain will be operating the longest organised airline route in the world. Further extensions, crossing India and proceeding still further eastward, will in due course reach Port Darwin, or the Australian coast, and link up with the existing system of Australian airways. Time-tables show that it should be possible for urgent mails to be carried by air from London to Melbourne by a day and night relay system in not more than 170 hours. Experts believe that such a service can be brought into being within a few years.

## HOME FOOTBALL.

## SCOTLAND TO PLAY ENGLAND.

## SATURDAY'S FIXTURES.

The last match in the International series will be played to-morrow. England's representatives travelling to Scotland to decide the International Championship. As will be seen from the table below, both are on an equal footing, and the contest should be a keen one. Scotland have been Champions five times since the war, and in the 1928-29 season shared the honours with England. Wales, last season's heroes, have been the other winners during this period.

Owing to the International fixture, no Scottish League matches appear in the programme this week. All the English League teams, however, will be engaged to-morrow, the fixtures being as under:—

Division I.  
England v. Scotland  
Wales v. Ireland  
Ireland v. Scotland  
Scotland v. England  
England v. Wales  
Wales v. Ireland  
Ireland v. Scotland  
Scotland v. England

Division II.  
Barnsley v. Tottenham  
Blackpool v. Torquay  
Bradford v. Watford  
Bristol City v. Queens P.R.  
Chelsea v. Plymouth  
Clapton v. Walsall  
Gillingham v. Crystal P.  
Grimsby v. Fulham  
Huddersfield v. Bristol R.  
Leeds v. Newport

Division III. (Southern).  
Bournemouth v. Swindon  
Brighton v. Torquay  
Charlton v. Watford  
Coveley v. Queens P.R.  
Exeter v. Plymouth  
Luton v. Walsall  
Middlesbrough v. Crystal P.  
Northampton v. Fulham  
Norwich v. Bristol R.  
Southend v. Newport

Division III. (Northern).  
Aston v. Tranmere  
Barrow v. Wigan  
Chesterfield v. Rotherham  
Darlington v. Lincoln  
Doncaster v. Crewe  
Nelson v. Halifax  
New Brighton v. Hartlepool  
Rochdale v. Accrington  
South Shields v. Bradford C.  
Stoke v. Stockport

## MID-WEEK RESULTS.

Several matches were decided on Wednesday but leading positions were not affected. Portsmouth's victory in the First Division, however, has somewhat relieved their anxieties about relegation. At present Cardiff and Burnley are the wooden-spoonists. Included in the matches during the day, the results of which are as follows:—

Division I.  
Huddersfield 1 Liverpool 3  
Everton 0 West Ham 4  
Portsmouth 1 Leicester 0  
Division II.  
West Brom. 3 Millwall 2  
Exeter 2 Watford 2  
Southend 3 Crystal P. 0  
Division III. (Southern).  
St. Mirren 3 Raith 2  
Inter-Services Tournament.  
Army 2 Navy 1

## JEWS IN HUNGARY.

## RETURNING TO FORMER FAITH.

Budapest (U.P.).—Thousands of Jews who sought refuge in Christianity during the anti-Semitic storm which swept over Hungary ten years ago, are now returning to their former faith. At the same time they are also resuming their original names which more than 10,000 Jews abandoned when public resentment against Bela Kun's Communist regime centred on the Jews. The Government at the time attempted to prevent this wholesale adoption of Hungarian names, but the Jews invoked a law of 1867 authorising their adoption. To-day, however, they are resuming their Jewish names and flocking back to the synagogues in large numbers. Yet, much bitterness was well known for her liberality toward the Jews but they are now troubled by irksome and unnecessary restrictions.

## LAWN TENNIS.

## WEATHER INTERFERES.

## FINALS TO-DAY.

The Final of the Open Singles Championship of the Colony between S. A. Rumjahn and M. W. Lo fixed for yesterday had to be postponed on account of the prevailing bad weather, and many who turned up to the court to watch the match went away disappointed. The match will be decided to-day, commencing at 4.15 p.m., weather and ground conditions permitting.

Two other Finals are also down for decision. In the Singles Handicap "A" J. G. Lawrie (owe 3/6) meets J. Barrow (rec. 3/6), while S. E. Green and Miss Heard (owe 15/1) meet D. Smith and Mrs. Smith (owe 4/6) in the Mixed Doubles event.

The following are the records of the finalists of the handicap events this season:—

J. G. Lawrie (owe 3/6) beat the following:—  
C. W. E. Bishop (rec. 2/6) 6-4, 6-1.  
W. O. from H. V. Parker (rec. 3/6).  
S. E. Green (owe 15/1) 6-3, 6-4.  
H. J. Armstrong (owe 1/6) 6-1, 6-2.  
J. Barrow (rec. 3/6) beat the following:—  
D. S. Green (rec. 2/6) 6-2, 11-9.  
O. E. C. Marton (owe 3/6) 6-9, 6-0.  
G. W. Sewell (owe 15/1) 9-7, 6-1.  
L. Forster (owe 15/1) 6-1, 6-4.

S. E. Green and Miss Heard beat the following:—  
E. D. Lawrence and Mrs. Davenport Browne (owe 4/6) 6-4, 9-7.  
E. R. Price and Miss Moffatt (rec. 4/6) 6-1, 2-6, 8-6.  
W. O. from L. Forster and Mrs. Stark (owe 15/1).  
D. Smith and Mrs. Smith beat the following:—  
W. O. from J. N. Owen and Mrs. Owen (rec. 15/1).  
Mr. and Mrs. Woodward (rec. 4/6) 9-7, 6-1.  
H. V. Parker and Miss Stanion (owe 2/6) 6-4, 8-2.

## OBSCENE BOOKS PROBLEM.

## HOME SECRETARY ON POLICE POWERS.

## CAUTIONS TO YOUTH.

Sir William Joyson-Hicks, the Home Secretary, received a deputation at the Home Office from the London Public Morality Council, who placed before him certain representations concerning immoral books and plays. The deputation was led by Mr. Archibald Allen, chairman of the council. "Some of you, at all events, have realised that the position of the Home Secretary is in dealing with this question very difficult indeed," Sir W. Joyson-Hicks said, after he had listened to the spokesman of the deputation.

He referred to the Geneva agreement to prevent the postal systems of nations being used as carriers of obscene books and the like.

## Improper Photographs.

"Of course, the Post Office is a common doorway for bringing filth into this country," he added. "It is largely impossible to prevent things from coming in sealed packets."

"You have no conception, probably none of you have any conception of the kind of photographs, for instance, which I see from time to time and condemn."

"We find frequently young people write to Paris or Berlin or any other centre in answer to advertisements which appear in periodicals sending money for the importation of these indecencies."

"We nearly always abstain from prosecutions, but the Director of Public Prosecutions or the head of the police in the district generally sends for these young people—often from a university or public school—and points out the stupidity of what they are doing."

"This saves all the obliquity of a prosecution but at the same time by exercising that kindly effort we are able to do a great deal in that direction. These warnings take place in considerable numbers each year."

## Censorship Difficulty.

The existing law was he thought, sufficient to deal with the problems of publication of obscene matter in this country. "I think it is essential," he said, "that in anything I or the police do in this matter it should not be considered as fettering the rights in any way whatever of man and woman to write what their spirit moves them to write, and it would be very difficult to establish any form of censorship."

"At all events, I pray you not to put that on my shoulders. Censorship would involve the reading of every book before it was published. If you consider the thousands and thousands published every year it would be absolutely impossible for those to be read."

"It was the body which the deputation represented who could make public opinion, beginning with the children, realise that the purchase and reading of those things was a moral offence."

## SCOTLAND-YARD'S HARDEST CASE.

## HUNTING FOR QUEEN VICTORIA'S PET.

## THE INNER STORY.

"The full and true story of the classic theft of Queen Victoria's pet dog, Cherry, a King Charles spaniel, which is even now preserved in a glass case in a royal palace," is told by Mr. J. B. Booth, in "London Town" (Werner Laurie, Ltd., 21s.), a volume of reminiscences dealing with pre-war life in London, mainly among theatrical, music hall, restaurant, night club, and betting circles.

It was an octogenarian tobaccoist in Berwick Market—"the most eminent retired dog-stealer in the West End of London"—who told Mr. Booth how "Teddy the Fish," being Queen Victoria's spaniel.

Cherry, being "too well fed, became ill, and was driven in a royal carriage, with two men in scarlet, to the premises of Mr. Youatt, a famous 'vet,' in Newman-street, off Oxford-street.

## Dog Stolen.

One morning came the news that Cherry had been stolen from a locked room.

"The Palace was in an uproar," declares Mr. Booth, and, according to the ordinary rules of syntax, he adds: "The Home Secretary with his Scotland-yard colleague were sent for, and, with skilled thief-catchers, dispatched to the scene of the robbery."

"The vet, sacked his cook, housemaid, groom, and kennelman; offered £50 reward for the recovery of the dog and 'no questions asked' another £50 reward, as the whole force were on the look-out, as promotion was promised, as well as coin.

Scotland-yard never had such trouble time, and the Home Secretary had no rosy bed."

Dr. Youatt believed that unless he found Cherry he would be put in the Tower and tried for high treason, but Cherry could not be found.

After a time, Sergeant Kendillon, of C division, who was a judge of dogs and known to "the fancy," received an invitation from "Teddy the Fish" to visit him in goal.

Teddy was called "The Fish" because of a famous exploit—"fishing" with a looped cord various pet dogs belonging to the Duchess of Wellington from the area of her town house.

Teddy the Fish explained to Sergeant Kendillon that he had been "copped" for a dog with a silver "necklace," and that the prosecution intended having him for the "necklace"—which was felony and ten years—instead of for the dog, which was a minor offence and only eighteen months. Now, asked Teddy, if he "fished" about Cherry, would the sergeant secure him a promise that he should get off with a light sentence?

## Teddy Confesses.

The promise was forthcoming and Teddy "rounded" on himself. He confessed that he stole Cherry.

One morning, Teddy explained, he saw "two beauties" on Dr. Youatt's drawing-room balcony—Cherry and another dog—but he could not see any way of fishing the dogs from above, and he was not a spout-climber.

Morning after morning he hung round the house, and at last his patience and curiosity were rewarded. Builders were at work on a house, and the men went to breakfast. Then he boldly transferred their ladder to Dr. Youatt's balcony, climbed up, and put Queen Victoria's Cherry in his pocket. A few minutes later Cherry was in Seven Dials.

The same night Teddy discovered, at a meeting of the "school," that he had stolen the Queen's dog, and he was told that he would be hanged. He was so terrified that, in spite of the £100 reward, he made no attempt to negotiate the return of Cherry, and kept the royal pet in a dark hutch for more than three months. Then he was "nabbed," and Cherry remained in the hutch, with only some old bones to gnaw.

Sergeant Kendillon found Cherry but dead from starvation and thirst, but by careful feeding restored him, and then took him to the Controller of the Household. Cherry leaped in Queen Victoria's lap.

Teddy the Fish was let off lightly, but Sergeant Kendillon, instead of being promoted, left the police force, having given such offence to Scotland-yard by taking the dog, directly to Buckingham Palace instead of to the committee, and the rewards were withheld from him, and all he could get was his expenses, 2s., which appears in the Lord Chamberlain's accounts.

## SEA AERODROMES.

## LINKING UP THE CONTINENTS.

## MID-OCEAN "LANDING PLACES."

Construction of the first Armstrong aerodrome, a landing platform for airplanes that will permit them to make oceanic flights with a landing en route, will be started immediately.

It will be installed half-way between New York and Bermuda, according to an announcement recently by Henry J. Gielow, Inc., naval architects, who are consultants to the Armstrong Seadrome Development Corporation, the company that will build the seadrome.

## Unaffected by Waves.

This floating air field will be 1,800 feet long, 200 feet wide at the ends, and 400 feet wide in the centre, and its base will be far enough below the surface of the water so that the structure will not be affected by waves. It will be held secure by specially designed anchors, attached to the platform by chains 21,150 feet long.

A crew of 43 men will be stationed on the floating airport to care for planes that stop there, operate the machine shops, run a hotel and restaurant and take care of the radio beacons that will guide aircraft to the station. There also will be loading and unloading devices for transferring express and mail packages from ships to planes, or from planes to ships.

Mr. Howard R. Armstrong, the inventor of the floating airfield, has been experimenting with models of it for several years at his home in Holly Oak, Del. He hopes ultimately to spread a chain of the platforms across the entire Atlantic, so that trans-Atlantic flights with passengers and freight will be feasible. As the planes would be able to refuel several times during the trip, they could carry much larger loads.

Built on Stilts.

Mr. Armstrong has explained that his landing platforms will not be tossed about by the ocean storms because the water which is disturbed at such times is at the surface and its movement is in a perpendicular direction rather than horizontal. The wave travels, but the surface of the water remains stationary, much as if one rolled a cylinder under a bell sheet. Also, the disturbance in the water is slight below a depth of 50 feet, and the base of the platform is below this level.

The perpendicular motion is absorbed by support of the platform. It is built on long stilts which extend down into the sea, and on the lower extremity of each support, below the line of wave disturbance, is a large disc. Thus, before the platform can tilt to an angle it is necessary for these discs to lift the thousands of tons of water above them. The wave has passed on, therefore, before the platform can be forced out of position. The supports, extending out downward through the discs, are ballasted at their ends.

Mr. Armstrong has planned a route across the Atlantic with eight stations at 400-mile intervals some what south of the present north Atlantic steamship lane. Making 34 flights, he believes, that passengers could be carried profitably at a fare of \$350, which later might be cut to \$75.

## BANDITS' REIGN OF TERROR.

## LEADERS SENTENCED TO DEATH.

Moscow (U.P.).—The activities of a large gang of bandits which for years kept an entire village practically captive at its mercy were brought to an end recently when six of the leaders were condemned to death and 27 sentenced to prison terms.

Novinka is a populous village in the province of Riazan. Some years ago one of its citizens, Vasily Lyovin, decided that there were more pleasant ways of making a living than by raising crops on overtaxed land. Being blessed with a family of four stalwart and obedient sons, he had the nucleus for a little private army. He recruited others and began a career of systematic and merciless terror.

Police Lose a Battle.

Frightened by the speedy vengeance which the gang visited on its enemies, the villagers yielded to their exactions and suffered in silence. On one occasion the police fought an hour's battle against the gang and lost. On another occasion, when a member of the organization was arrested, the court-house was put on fire and 22 other houses were burned to the ground. Finally 23 of them, including the Lyovin family, were arrested. The story told by 170 witnesses was an amazing record of murder, rapine, torture, and intimidation.

Lyovin himself and one of his sons were among the six sentenced to death.

## SUFFERING MINERS.

## CONDITIONS IN DURHAM.

## M.P. WITH ONLY ONE PAIR OF SHOES.

London (U.P.).—Only one pair of shoes are possessed by Mr. Joseph Batey, Labour member of parliament for Spennymoor, Durham. His wife has given the other pair to distressed miners. That was what he told the House of Commons in a speech on the mining situation in Durham.

"I don't know what made me say it," he told the United Press in an exclusive interview. "And I wish the press had not made so much of it. The remainder of my forty minute speech was much more important. It just occurred to me that I had only the pair of shoes I stood in, and I said so."

## Very Slight Improvement.

Mr. Batey thinks the mining situation has now slightly—very slightly—improved. There is more demand for coal and certain mines are working full time. He explained, however, that it does not relieve the unemployed miners who are not absorbed by these mines.

"The situation in Durham is terrible," he said. "There are 60,000 miners out of employment there at the present time. Last January there were 45,188 miners receiving poor law relief, and there is no prospect of their obtaining work."

The Prince of Wales' tour of the distressed areas has not been of much benefit, in Mr. Batey's opinion, beyond revealing that the poverty is even worse than it was pictured by the general public.

"If he contemplates touring the South Wales distressed areas," he said, "he might just as well stay at home for any relief he can bring."

Mr. Batey's solution of the problem is naturally a labour scheme.

"The only hope of solving the problem," he said, "is the return of a Labour government at the general elections. This I think is certain. With a Labour government in we can develop the industry by such means as low temperature carbonisation by which oil is extracted. In a very short time we should have every miner back at work."

Mr. Batey, who is 61 years old, knows something about mining; for he was a miner for 17 years. He started at the age of 12 as a pit-boy, working through the many stages until he became a "heaver" and eventually a "checkweighman." He left the mines in 1896 to become an official of the Durham Miners' Association.

## HISTORIC ROOM.

## WHERE THE FIRST TELEGRAPH WAS TESTED.

## HOW A MURDERER WAS CAUGHT.

London (U.P.).—Among the exhibits in a lecture-room in King's College, London, there is the original telegraph apparatus made by Sir Charles Wheatstone, who was a Professor of Experimental Philosophy there, from 1834 to 1875.

The receiver was a curious diamond-shaped instrument with five magnetic needles. When the transmitter was working, the depression of the key caused two of these pointers to swing over. The letter sent was the one at the intersection of the lines down which these pointers aimed. There were only 25 of these points in intersection, so the letter Q was omitted. This being considered the least used letter of the alphabet, and thereby hangs a tale.

Held to Riddle.

The first telegraph system was installed on the Great Western Railway between Paddington and Slough, and it was held to ridicule by all and sundry, as a fantastic toy, until it was the means of catching John Tawell, the Slough murderer.

The murder had been committed in Slough, and the police telegraphed a description of the wanted man who had just escaped them. They sent the following message:—"He is in a first-class carriage. He is dressed as a Quaker."

Having no "Q" the operator began to spell the last word with "KW." "Repeat," signalled the man at the receiving end, knowing that there is no word beginning in this way. "KW" came through again. The man at the receiver had now decided that the apparatus had developed a fault, but a man by his side said: "Let him finish the word."

It came through as "KWAKER" and Paddington grasped the reason, with the result that John Tawell was arrested. Thus, the telegraph became famous in a day.

In this same room, a lecture was given in 1887, in connection with Queen Victoria's Jubilee. As a "stunt" the room was lighted on that occasion with four electric lamps worked from batteries.















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	Barometer at Sea Level	Thermometer	Humidity	Wind	Direction	Force	Barometer at Sea Level	Thermometer	Humidity	Wind	Direction	Force	Barometer at Sea Level	Thermometer	Humidity	Wind	Direction	Force	Barometer at Sea Level	Thermometer
Vladivostok ...	29.91	75.9	48	N	2	c	29.99	76.1	59	WNW	0	c	29.99	76.1	59	WNW	0	c	29.99	76.1
Nemuro ...	29.96	76.5	...	NNE	3	...	29.90	75.9	...	WNW	1	...	29.90	75.9	...	WNW	1	...	29.90	75.9
Hokodate ...	29.65	73.0	...	SSW	3	...	29.98	76.1	...	WNW	1	...	29.98	76.1	...	WNW	1	...	29.98	76.1
Tokio ...	29.78	75.5	...	E	1	...	30.06	76.3	...	WNW	1	...	30.06	76.3	...	WNW	1	...	30.06	76.3
Kochi ...	29.94	76.0	...	E	0	...	30.19	76.0	...	WNW	1	...	30.19	76.0	...	WNW	1	...	30.19	76.0
Nagasaki ...	30.04	76.3	...	NW	3	...	30.10	76.4	...	WNW	1	...	30.10	76.4	...	WNW	1	...	30.10	76.4
Kagoshima ...	30.00	76.2	...	NW	3	...	30.10	76.4	...	WNW	1	...	30.10	76.4	...	WNW	1	...	30.10	76.4
Oshima ...	30.08	76.4	...	NNE	1	...	30.06	76.3	...	WNW	1	...	30.06	76.3	...	WNW	1	...	30.06	76.3
Naha ...	30.08	76.4	...	N	4	...	30.02	76.2	...	WNW	1	...	30.02	76.2	...	WNW	1	...	30.02	76.2
Ishigakijima ...	30.06	76.3	...	NE	2	...	30.00	76.2	...	WNW	1	...	30.00	76.2	...	WNW	1	...	30.00	76.2
Bonin Island ...	29.96	76.1	...	WSW	1	...	30.00	76.2	...	WNW	1	...	30.00	76.2	...	WNW	1	...	30.00	76.2
Chefoo ...	30.11	76.4	46	92	NW	2	30.12	76.5	42	100	W	1	30.12	76.5	42	100	W	1	30.12	76.5
Shanghai ...	30.10	76.4	72	29	ENE	2	30.13	76.5	82	84	N	1	30.13	76.5	82	84	N	1	30.13	76.5
Guttsaff ...	30.17	76.6	58	38	NE	1	30.13	76.5	82	84	N	1	30.13	76.5	82	84	N	1	30.13	76.5
Sharp Peak ...	29.99	76.1	64	84	N	2	30.01	76.2	62	89	N	1	30.01	76.2	62	89	N	1	30.01	76.2
Amoy ...	30.00	76.2	71	86	ENE	4	30.04	76.3	60	90	N	4	30.04	76.3	60	90	N	4	30.04	76.3
Swatow ...	29.98	76.1	70	86	E	2	29.98	76.1	61	96	E	2	29.98	76.1	61	96	E	2	29.98	76.1
Taipei ...	30.07	76.3	68	81	E	4	29.99	76.1	64	...	...	...	29.99	76.1	64	...	...	...	29.99	76.1
Taipei ...	30.00	76.2	73	...	...	...	29.95	76.0	68	...	...	...	29.95	76.0	68	...	...	...	29.95	76.0
Tainan ...	29.97	76.1	82	...	...	...	29.94	76.0	70	...	...	...	29.94	76.0	70	...	...	...	29.94	76.0
Koshun ...	29.95	76.0	82	...	...	...	29.98	76.1	66	...	...	...	29.98	76.1	66	...	...	...	29.98	76.1
Pescadore ...	29.99	76.1	73	...	...	...	30.01	76.2	63	88	ENE	1	30.01	76.2	63	88	ENE	1	30.01	76.2
Hong Kong ...	29.95	76.0	67	71	E	4	30.00	76.2	63	88	ENE	1	30.00	76.2	63	88	ENE	1	30.00	76.2
Gap Rock ...	29.95	76.0	...	ENE	5	od	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Macao ...	29.93	76.0	64	84	NE	4	29.97	76.1	61	93	NNE	2	29.97	76.1	61	93	NNE	2	29.97	76.1
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Pratas Island ...	29.91	75.9	76	84	NE	3	29.93	76.0	71	95	NNE	6	29.93	76.0	71	95	NNE	6	29.93	76.0
Philien ...	29.88	75.9	66	100	ENE	4	29.91	75.9	78	85	E	7	29.91	75.9	78	85	E	7	29.91	75.9
Touraine ...	29.80	75.9	...	SE	4	b	29.87	75.8	77	85	ENE	4	29.87	75.8	77	85	ENE	4	29.87	75.8
Cape St. James ...	29.82	75.7	81	...	...	...	29.84	75.7	75	79	W	1	29.84	75.7	75	79	W	1	29.84	75.7
Basco ...	29.88	75.9	77	...	...	...	29.86	75.8	73	88	E	1	29.86	75.8	73	88	E	1	29.86	75.8
Aparr ...	29.84	75.7	86	65	NE	4	29.87	75.8	77	85	ENE	4	29.87	75.8	77	85	ENE	4	29.87	75.8
Vign ...	29.78	75.6	86	61	W	4	29.84	75.7	75	79	W	1	29.84	75.7	75	79	W	1	29.84	75.7
Manila ...	29.76	75.6	90	55	SW	4	29.86	75.8	73	88	E	1	29.86	75.8	73	88	E	1	29.86	75.8
Legaspi ...	29.74	75.5	90	60	ENE	4	29.84	75.7	72	91	N	1	29.84	75.7	72	91	N	1	29.84	75.7
Caluyog ...	29.76	75.6	86	58	WNW	4	29.84	75.7	72	91	N	1	29.84	75.7	72	91	N	1	29.84	75.7
Tucloban ...	29.74	75.5	86	71	N	6	29.84	75.7	72	91	N	1	29.84	75.7	72	91	N	1	29.84	75.7
Lilo ...	29.74	75.5	90	66	NE	4	29.84	75.7	72	91	N	1	29.84	75.7	72	91	N	1	29.84	75.7
Cebu ...	29.76	75.6	81	87	W	2	29.82	75.5	77	95	...	...	29.82	75.5	77	95	...	...	29.82	75.5
Surigao ...	29.74	75.5	84	81	N	2	29.81	75.2	72	91	...	...	29.81	75.2	72	91	...	...	29.81	75.2
Saipan ...	12.22	29.81	76.7	...	...	...	29.91	75.9	77	...	...	...	29.91	75.9	77	...	...	...	29.91	75.9
Guam ...	11.00	29.78	76.3	...	...	...	29.84	75.7	...	...	...	...	29.84	75.7	...	...	...	...	29.84	75.7
Yap ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.76	75.6	...	...	...	...	29.76	75.6	...	...	...	...	29.76	75.6
Pelew ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.96	76.1	75	...	...	...	29.96	76.1	75	...	...	...	29.96	76.1
Ponape ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.89	75.9	76	91	SW	2	29.89	75.9	76	91	SW	2	29.89	75.9
Labuan ...	14	29.78	76.6	86	84	NW	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

April 11d. 11h. 50m.—The anticyclone has extended eastward to Japan; the depression has passed into the Pacific.

Moderate monsoon will prevail along the S.E. coast and over the N. China Sea.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.24 inch. Total since January 1, 1926, inches, against an average of 7.72 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON THE 12TH.

District.

Forecast.

- 1.—Formosa Channel.
- 2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamcocks.
- 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock.
- 4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan.

C. W. JEFFRIES, Director.

## HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, April 11.

Previous On Date On Date

Day at at at

at 4 p.m. 10 a.m. 2 p.m.

Barometer ... 29.91 29.69 30.04

Temperature ... 68 63 65

Humidity ... 65 89 76

Wind ...

Direction ... ENE ENE N

Force ... 4 0 0

Weather ... 0 0 0

Rain ... 0.00 0.00 0.24

Highest open-air Temperature, 10: 71

Lowest open-air Temperature, 11: 63

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

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Arrive	May 18	May 21	May 24	May 26	June 1
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	May 1	May 4	May 7	May 9	May 18
EMPRESS OF ASIA	May 15	May 18	May 21	May 23	May 31
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	May 29	June 1	June 4	June 6	June 13
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	June 12	June 15	June 18	June 20	June 27
EMPRESS OF ASIA	June 26	June 29	July 2	July 4	July 11
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	July 10	July 13	July 16	July 18	July 25
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	July 24	July 27	July 30	Aug. 1	Aug. 8
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Aug. 7	Aug. 10	Aug. 13	Aug. 15	Aug. 22
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	Aug. 21	Aug. 24	Aug. 27	Aug. 29	Sept. 5
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Sept. 14	Sept. 17	Sept. 20	Sept. 22	Sept. 29
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Sept. 28	Oct. 1	Oct. 4	Oct. 6	Oct. 13
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	Oct. 17	Oct. 20	Oct. 23	Oct. 25	Oct. 31
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Oct. 31	Nov. 3	Nov. 6	Nov. 8	Nov. 15
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Nov. 19	Nov. 22	Nov. 25	Nov. 27	Dec. 4
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	Nov. 28	Dec. 1	Dec. 4	Dec. 6	Dec. 13
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Dec. 17	Dec. 20	Dec. 23	Dec. 25	Dec. 31

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May 7	May 9	May 10	May 12
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KAGA MARU ... Monday, 22nd Apr.

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HAKODATE MARU ... Wednesday, 1st May

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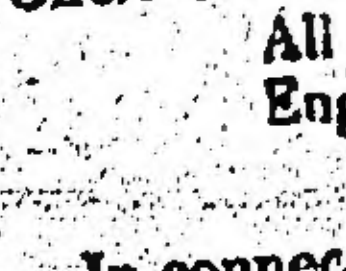
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## Shipping News

Daily Statement, Waterfront News,  
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## YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS.

IMPORTS 4,700 TONS;  
THROUGH CARGO  
12,900 TONS.

During the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday the returns to the Harbour Office of cargo carried by vessels arriving in Hong Kong were as follows:—

	Cargo for H.K.	Through Ports.
British		
Gambada	331	432
Yuen Sang	772	275
Chak Sang	387	950
Seistao	750	—
Singapore	750	—
Hai Ching	250	—
Foochow	250	—
Hydrangea	122	—
Swatow	—	1,707
Norwegian		
Hermrod	—	900
Canton	—	900
Japanese		
Awa Maru	437	6,392
Alaska Maru	783	6,392
Sungshan Maru	71	—
Canton Maru	738	—
Keelung	—	2,020
Chinese		
Shui Hing	35	—
Macao	35	—
Total	4,726	12,917

## Arrivals and Departures.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were as follows:—

	Arr.	Dept.
British	6	7
Norwegian	2	0
Japanese	4	2
Chinese	3	3
German	0	2
Dutch	0	2
Portuguese	0	1
French	0	1
Total	15	18

## Passengers.

The following passengers arrived by the s.s. Coblenz yesterday:—Mr. C. Hamilton, Mrs. J. Hamilton, Mrs. E. C. McCormack, Mrs. E. W. Managold, Mr. O. Schneider, Mrs. P. S. Blackbourn, Misses M. and A. Liana, Miss J. Marasigan, Mr. A. Calido, Mr. B. Liana, Mr. A. M. Richards and child, Mrs. B. Peter, Mrs. M. R. Cutter and two children, Miss N. H. Snyder, Dr. and Mrs. P. Sulley.

The following passengers arrived by the N.D.L. s.s. Saarbrücken from the North:—Mrs. E. Clark, Mrs. I. Johnson, Mrs. M. Jobsen, Miss E. Desroches, Mr. C. Peake, Mrs. M. Peake, Mr. C. McBain, Miss Chignoff, Mr. B. M. Wallenstein, Mr. I. J. Martin, Mr. Y. C. Feng, Mr. Y. Y. Chen, Mr. H. L. Mars, Mr. T. K. Yang, Mr. T. C. Wong, Mr. Y. H. Fing, Mr. T. C. Wong, Miss A. Liao and child, Miss S. G. Weu, Mr. G. Ulsadt, Mrs. S. Gladstone and two children, Mr. J. S. Flacks, Mrs. Wolf, Rev. J. W. van Kirk, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Weaver and Miss F. Weaver, Mr. Cheung Man Chit, Mr. and Mrs. N. Rogdenov.

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(Continued on next Column).

## DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

## HARBOUR NOTIFICATIONS.

A notice in the Harbour Office states that an anchor with about 60 fathoms of chain attached to it has been recovered from the river outside Woosung at a point from which the Quarantine Buoy bears N. 50 deg. W. (Mag.) about 3 miles. It is now on the foreshore opposite the Customs property at Woosung where it may be inspected at low water and up to half tide.

The anchor is of the "patent" type and about 3 tons in weight. The chain is 2½ inch stud link.

If on the expiry of 30 days, the anchor and chain remain unclaimed they become the property of the salvors.

## Dredging off Pootung Point.

Anchor notice in the Harbour Office states that about the middle of April the dredger "Hai Lung" will commence dredging operation off the lower end of Pootung Point. The area to be dredged lies between about 200 feet below the British Cigarette Co., Ltd. property in Section VII, and that of Arnold & Co., Ltd. in Section V.

All lighters and other craft in the vicinity are to shift in ample time to allow unrestricted operations.

## Dangerous Goods.

The Gamboda, from Japan, had a cargo of safety matches and celluloid goods when she arrived in port on April 10.

Seventy-five cases of safety matches was included in the manifest of the Awa Maru. The vessel arrived from Shanghai and Japan on 10th inst.

## Asiatic Deck Passengers.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Yuen Sang (Br.) Japan	354
Chak Sang (Br.) Tsingtao	163
Seistao (Br.) Singapore	623
Hai Ching (Br.) Foochow	433
Hydrangea (Br.) Swatow	18
Awa Maru (Jap.) Japan	18
Sungshan Maru (Japanese)	49
Shanghai Maru (Japanese)	25
Canton Maru (Japanese)	52
Keelung (Chinese) Antow	52
Tak Hing (Chinese) Antow	52
Total	1,717

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